

# University of Minnesota - Twin Cities



## Department of Food Science and Nutrition

### ASSISTANT PROFESSOR - NUTRITION

The University of Minnesota invites applications for a tenure-track research and teaching position in Nutrition at the Assistant Professor level in the Department of Food Science and Nutrition in the College of Food, Agricultural, and Natural Resource Sciences.

#### About the Position

This Nutrition position will be a nine month, tenure-track appointment involving 50% research and 50% teaching in the Department of Food Science and Nutrition. The appointee will develop a strong extramurally funded research program that investigates the relationship between diet and human health. The appointee will be expected to develop collaborations with other investigators within the Department, the College, and the University, such as the Academic Health Center or the School of Public Health. Teaching responsibilities will include an equivalent of two (2) courses per year at the undergraduate and/or graduate levels. Advising will include undergraduate, M.S. and Ph.D. students.

The integration of Nutrition and Food Science has provided an exceptional opportunity for the Department to capitalize on the intersection of the areas of health systems and food production. The Department plays a unique and important role training professionals and providing service in the fields of nutrition and food science. Faculty members in the Department are nationally and internationally recognized scholars in a wide range of nutrition and food science areas including nutrition and health/disease prevention, community nutrition, food safety and microbiology, food chemistry, food flavor and sensory studies, and food processing.

#### Salary and Benefits

The salary will be commensurate with education and experience. Appointment is on a 9-month basis with salary competitive and commensurate with educational background and experience. Summer salary (9 weeks) will be included in the start-up package for the first two years of the appointment. An attractive group of fringe benefits is provided, including excellent medical and dental insurance, life insurance, faculty retirement program, optional retirement plan, and faculty development leave options.

#### Qualifications

Required: Earned doctorate by start date, with training and experience in nutrition; evidence of strong research skills, published research in peer reviewed scholarly journals, and strong communication skills.

**Preferred:** Registered Dietitian (RD, RDN) with professional experience; post-doctoral research or relevant professional or industry experience; evidence of ability to work independently and in collaboration with interdisciplinary team members; and experience writing or managing grants; potential for effective classroom teaching and acquisition of extramural funding; and demonstrated commitment to diversity and inclusion.

#### Application Guidelines

Review of applications will start on April 1st, 2019, but the position will remain open until filled. Applications must include the following: (1) cover letter; (2) detailed CV/resume; (3) brief statement describing teaching interests and philosophy (1 page); (4) brief statement describing research interests and philosophy (1-2 pages); (5) brief statement describing interest in, experience with, and commitment to diversity and inclusiveness (1 page); (6) copy graduate transcripts; and (7) names and contact information for three professional references (reference letters should only be provided upon request). Combine all parts of the application into a single document.

Applicants should attach all parts in the University of Minnesota Human Resources online employment website [z.umn.edu/fscn\\_nutrition](http://z.umn.edu/fscn_nutrition) (**Job # 328873**). Please note that during the interview process, applicants will be asked to describe their commitment, experience and approach to teaching and working with students, colleagues and constituents from diverse populations.

For specific questions, please contact **Dr. Mindy Kurzer**, Search Committee Chair, at [mkurzer@umn.edu](mailto:mkurzer@umn.edu) or **612-624-9789**.

#### About the Department

The mission of the Department is to create and share knowledge to ensure a safe, healthy and appealing food supply that supports the well-being and prosperity of people and the environment.

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