The Department of Animal Science has an opening for an Agricultural Worker 1. The successful candidate will work at multiple farm units of the Animal Science Department under the supervision of the Executive Program Director.

Responsibilities will include: feeds and checks water for animals; has hands on contact with animals (dairy cattle, beef cattle, sheep, swine, horses, chickens) and performs routine animal care under supervision as required; performs minor maintenance of buildings, fencing and grounds (lawn mowing, snow removal, string trimming, etc.), including painting, performing minor carpentry tasks and power washing facilities and equipment; operates light duty trucks and light to medium duty farm equipment (skid steer, mixer wagon, etc.); disinfects and cleans incubators; cleans, sanitizes, assembles, disassembles and operates standard poultry and other minor equipment; operates milk parlor equipment and milks dairy cattle; collects, washes and grades eggs and packages for shipping and sales; performs heavy lifting of grain, hay, eggs; shovels snow and manure; ability to keep simple records and prepare reports; assists with research projects as needed; performs other duties as required.

Minimum Qualifications

1. One (1) year of experience related to animal science and/or farm animals
2. Knowledge of care, health and management of farm animals
3. Good interpersonal, oral and written communication skills
4. Ability to operate and perform minor maintenance on equipment used on the job
5. Ability to follow oral and written instructions
6. Experience with data collecting and report writing
7. Highly motivated
8. Must have adequate physical strength, stamina, physical agility and visual and auditory senses and must maintain such physical fitness to be able to perform the duties
9. Must possess a CDL Class A license

Appointment Terms

This is a permanent, full-time position with an average rotating work schedule of 37.5 hours per week including some weekends. The work hours are 9:00am - 5:00pm with an hourly salary of $18.83 and includes a benefits package.

This position is categorized as Emergency Support Services/Essential Staff. Employees are mandated to work during emergency closures/delayed openings of the University. Employees must report to work for winter storms or other significant events that affect the department’s operation to perform animal care and snow and ice removal duties.

Employment of the successful candidate will be contingent upon the successful completion of a pre-employment physical including a drug test and a criminal background check.

Current NP-2 applicants will be given preference in the screening process.

To Apply

Qualified applicants please submit a cover letter, resume, and contact information for three (3) professional references. Please ensure that your application materials demonstrate how you meet the stated minimum qualifications. Application deadline is January 26, 2016. (Search # 2016335)

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