

Vacancy Announcement

Visiting Research Scholar in Economics, Semester or AY, Non-tenure-track

Location: MSU Initiative for Regulation and Applied Economic Analysis, Department of Agricultural Economics and Economics, College of Agriculture and College of Letters and Science, Montana State University, Bozeman, MT 59717-2920

Starting Date: Flexible

Salary and Benefits: Stipend equivalent to \$60,000 per academic year at 1.0 FTE

Department Information: Montana State University is a land grant university with total enrollment of 16,500 students including about 1,500 graduate students. Bozeman is a community of 40,000 people situated in the Gallatin Valley, 90 miles north of Yellowstone National Park. Residents enjoy a high quality of life, excellent public schools, and outstanding recreational and cultural opportunities. The Department of Agricultural Economics and Economics (DAEE) is jointly administered by the College of Agriculture and the College of Letters and Science and has about 20 faculty members. The Department ascribes to the highest academic standards and is dedicated to education that develops human capital. Faculty members are highly productive scholars, who conduct research in economics, with an emphasis on agricultural and applied microeconomics and a focus on high quality publications in leading refereed journals. DAEE faculty obtain substantial extramural grant funding. The Department provides high quality teaching and outreach programs. Undergraduate degrees are offered in Agricultural Business, Economics, and Financial Engineering (joint with the College of Engineering), with about 300 total undergraduate majors. DAEE courses play large service roles for other programs in the University. The Department offers a rigorous, highly respected Master's degree in Applied Economics.

Job Description: We invite applications for semester- or year-long visiting researcher positions. Visiting positions are sponsored by the MSU Initiative for Regulatory and Applied Economic Analysis, which is housed in the DAEE. The mission of the initiative is to engage undergraduate and graduate students with faculty in academic research that will further the understanding of economic regulation and policy's impact on societal well-being. The initiative awards research grants, research fellowships, and research assistantships to facilitate research, analysis, and teaching of regulatory economics as applied to agriculture, healthcare, technology, finance, natural resources, education, public safety, and other sectors; leverages the University's geographic position and research track record to inform the public policy debate on state, regional, and national issues; has lasting impact on undergraduate and graduate students by providing support to enable their research on relevant public policy topics; and enhances the intellectual capital of MSU faculty and other universities or centers by providing research and teaching opportunities. Research will be in regulatory economics as applied to agriculture, healthcare, technology, finance, natural resources, education, public safety, and other sectors of the economy and is expected to result in publications in leading disciplinary refereed journals and related shorter white papers intended to communicate the research to a broad audience. Scholars will be given office space and are expected to reside in or around Bozeman and to be active contributors to the initiative's programs. Scholars will also be provided a \$5,000 budget for research-related expenses. This position is ideal for tenured faculty on semester- or year-long sabbaticals from their current institutions.

Required Qualifications:

1. Ph.D. in economics or closely related discipline.
2. Demonstrated success in publishing peer-reviewed research in the past five years in regulatory economics as applied to agriculture, healthcare, technology, finance, natural resources, education, public safety, and other sectors of the economy.

Preferred Qualifications:

1. Demonstrated success in obtaining external funding.
2. Demonstrated success in presenting research findings to a wide array of audiences.

The Successful Candidate Will: Have excellent verbal and written communications skills, strong interpersonal skills, and the ability to contribute successfully to the initiative's research mission.

Application Procedure: Please submit 1) letter of application addressing the job description and required and preferred qualifications listed above, 2) curriculum vita, 3) a statement describing the research project to be conducted during the visit, to <https://jobs.montana.edu/postings/8056> (The MSU Online submission portal). Screening will begin March 16, 2017 and

continue until an adequate applicant pool has been established. Questions about the position can be directed to the initiative's co-directors, Dr. Vincent Smith (vsmith@montana.edu) or Dr. Wendy Stock (wstock@montana.edu).

Diversity

Statement:

Montana State University values diverse perspectives and is committed to continually supporting, promoting and building an inclusive and culturally diverse campus environment. MSU recognizes the importance of work-life integration and strives to be responsive to the needs of [dual career couples](#).

Montana State University is committed to providing a working and learning environment free from discrimination. As such, the University does not discriminate in the admission, access to or conduct of its educational programs and activities nor in its employment policies and practices on the basis of race, color, religion, national origin, ethnicity, creed, service in the uniformed services (as defined in state and federal law), veteran status, gender, age, political beliefs, marital or family status, pregnancy, physical or mental disability, genetic information, gender identity, gender expression, or sexual orientation or preference. In support of the University's mission to be inclusive and diverse, applications from qualified minorities, women, veterans and persons with disabilities are highly encouraged.

Montana State University makes accommodation for any known disability that may interfere with an applicant's ability to compete in the hiring process or an employee's ability to perform the duties of the job. To request an accommodation, contact the Human Resources Office, PO Box 172520, Montana State University, Bozeman MT 59717-2520; 406-994-3651; recruitment@montana.edu .

In compliance with the Montana Veteran's Employment Preference Act, MSU provides preference in employment to veterans, disabled veterans, and certain eligible relatives of veterans. To claim veteran's preference please complete the veteran's preference information located in the Demographics section of your profile.

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