



**DEPARTMENT OF POPULATION HEALTH AND REPRODUCTION
SCHOOL OF VETERINARY MEDICINE
UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, DAVIS**

**Assistant/Associate Specialist in Cooperative Extension for
Beef Cattle Herd Health and Production**

The University of California Division of Agriculture and Natural Resources, a statewide program with local delivery, in collaboration with the School of Veterinary Medicine, UC Davis, are seeking a full time Assistant/Associate Specialist in Cooperative Extension (100%) in the area of beef cattle herd health and production for California's extensive beef cattle industry that ranges from cow-calf and stocker operations in our foothill and coastal regions to large feedlots in southern and central California. The candidate will collaborate closely with colleagues in the School, across the University, and within the network of UC Cooperative Extension who work on the health and productivity of beef cattle, pre-harvest food safety and beef quality assurance, and adoption of sustainable livestock production practices. The successful candidate will be in residence at either UC Davis or the Veterinary Medicine Teaching and Research Center, Tulare, CA.

SALARY: Dependent on qualifications and experience

QUALIFICATIONS:

DVM or equivalent degree is required, with graduate level training and/or board certification in an appropriate discipline preferred (e.g., internal medicine, epidemiology or preventive medicine, theriogenology, nutrition, infectious disease). The successful candidate is required to have demonstrated expertise or appropriate training in beef cattle herd health, welfare and production medicine. Demonstrated ability or potential to develop intervention strategies that promote the profitability of the livestock enterprise is preferred. Documented evidence of research activity or ability in one or more aspects of beef cattle herd health and production (e.g., infectious diseases, antimicrobial stewardship, food safety, nutrition, internal medicine, reproduction, animal welfare, beef quality assurance, or beneficial management practices consistent with sustainable ranching) is required. A record of acquisition of extramural funding or the potential to do so is required. Excellent interpersonal and communication skills and a demonstrated ability to work with others in a collegial team atmosphere are required. Evidence of or potential for leadership and initiative is required. Evidence of or potential for extending applied research and conducting outreach education for livestock owners is required.

RESPONSIBILITIES:

Outreach: Responsibilities include: 1) promote beef cattle herd health and production with the network of UCCE Advisors and Specialists; 2) develop and extend science-based information on how to prevent beef cattle production-limiting diseases and promote animal health and well-being for large- and small-scale beef cattle production systems; 3) interact with ranchers, feedlot managers, food animal veterinarians, allied professionals and agricultural organizations, regulatory agencies, and academic clientele such as UCCE Advisors and AES faculty; and 4) participation in the graduate academic programs (MS and PhD) of the campus.

Research: The development of a creative and productive research program performed independently and collaboratively with UCCE Advisors, with funding from extramural sources, is a fundamental and indispensable requirement of the position, including publication of results in peer-reviewed professional and scientific journals and appropriate UCCE outlets. The successful candidate will develop an applied research program in beef cattle production and veterinary medicine. Areas of emphasis could include: infectious disease control, antimicrobial stewardship, microbial and pre-harvest food safety, nutrition and production efficiency, internal medicine, reproduction, animal welfare, beef quality assurance, or beneficial management practices consistent with sustainable ranching. The areas of emphasis will be based on an evaluation of the needs of the California beef industry, with opportunity to expand and redirect efforts as new issues and industry needs emerge across California. This individual will provide leadership in directing research projects of professional and graduate students.

Service: University and public service through committee work, participation in professional organizations, continuing education and other appropriate means is required.

APPLICATION PROCESS:

To receive fullest consideration, applications must be submitted by March 31, 2017; position open until filled. To begin the application process, interested applicants should register online at <https://recruit.ucdavis.edu/apply/JPF01407> and submit the following materials: 1) a letter of intent outlining special interest in the position, overall related qualifications and experience and career goals; 2) curriculum vitae; 3) the names and addresses of four professional references; 4) Statement of Contributions to Equity and Diversity (addressing past and/or potential contributions to equity and diversity through research, teaching, and/or service.)

Questions should be referred to:

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The University of California, Davis and the Department of Population Health and Reproduction, School of Veterinary Medicine, are interested in candidates who are committed to the highest standards of scholarship and professional activities, and to the development of a campus climate that

supports equality and diversity. The University of California is an affirmative action/equal opportunity employer.