POSITION DESCRIPTION
Assistant Professor
International Development - Microeconomics
Applied Economics
Department of Applied Economics
College of Food, Agricultural and Natural Resource Sciences (CFANS)
University of Minnesota

TITLE AND LOCATION
Assistant Professor, International Development - Microeconomics
Located in the Department of Applied Economics, St. Paul Campus, University of Minnesota.
This is a 9-month, 100% time, 50% Research and 50% Teaching, tenure-track appointment at the rank of assistant professor. Criteria and requirements for tenure are subject to University Policy.

PROGRAM / UNIT DESCRIPTION
The Department of Applied Economics offers highly ranked programs of study at the undergraduate, M.S., and Ph.D. levels. The Department continues a distinguished tradition of international development in both research and teaching, both in microeconomics and macroeconomics. Our largest contingent of graduate students continues to matriculate into this field and take positions at leading national and international universities and agencies such as the CGIAR (with 2 alums serving as CGIAR Director Generals), the World Bank and FAO. The department also has several centers (including the endowed Center for International Food and Agricultural Policy (cifap.umn.edu) and the Gates supported International Science and Technology Practice and Policy Center (InSTePP.umn.edu) that strengthen the academic programs and provide opportunities for students and faculty in research, policy and industry outreach. The Department has a distinguished faculty, many of whom have won University, national and international awards for outstanding teaching, outreach, and published research. The faculty work in a variety of fields broadly defined as Environmental and Resource Economics; Food Systems; Growth, Development and Trade; and Public Sector Economics. Please visit the Department website at http://www.apec.umn.edu for further information.

DESCRIPTION: This position is open to candidates with interests related to international development with an emphasis on microeconomics as it relates to agriculture, food, health and the environment.

a) Develop a leading nationally and internationally recognized research program related to international development with a strong emphasis in application of quantitative methods and economic theory to addressing timely and relevant development topics in food, health, agriculture and the environment. Residing in a leading Tier 1 research university, the individual will be expected to develop strong and productive disciplinary and interdisciplinary research programs with our vibrant linkages to programs in CFANS, Academic Health Services (Medical School, College of Veterinary Medicine), Economics Department, School of Public Health, Carlson School of Management, Humphrey Institute on Public Affairs, Law School and our non-governmental, government and business constituents in Minnesota.

b) Teach courses in the undergraduate and graduate program that might include core courses in applied economics and theory, quantitative methods courses and field courses in areas of international development and microeconomics. Develop classes and advise students
that will fit into the overall teaching needs of the Department of Applied Economics and be consistent with his/her research program.

c) Provide leadership for the department’s programs, engaging in development of teaching and research programs to continually move the department in innovative, productive and relevant research and educational activities.

d) Develop successful grant proposals and work with interdisciplinary research teams, drawing upon expertise in food science and nutrition, public health, biological sciences, resource and environmental sciences, business, policy studies, and other areas in the College of Food, Agriculture and Natural Resource Sciences and the University, to conduct research and deliver knowledge to a wide range of audiences. In particular, this individual will be expected to develop and lead interdisciplinary international development projects with our College and University offices of international programs.

QUALIFICATIONS

Essential

- Ph.D. in applied economics, agricultural economics, economics, or a closely related field.
- Evidence of potential to develop an outstanding record of scholarly research in the area of international development with applications to issues of food, health, agricultural productivity and the environment.
- Compelling written and oral communication skills for professional and nonprofessional audiences.

Desired

- Evidence of potential for excellence in peer reviewed publications.
- Evidence of potential for excellence in research, teaching and leadership in academic programs and grant execution.
- Demonstrated expertise in the application of economic theories and quantitative methods and innovative data discovery and application to international micro-development topics.
- Demonstrated potential for success in working with multi-disciplinary research teams, or experience managing projects or project teams in multi-disciplinary or international field projects.
- Demonstrated potential for preparing successful grant proposals and in particular familiarity and interaction with governmental, non-governmental aid organizations, and private sector businesses or organizations that provide funding for international development projects.
- Demonstrated interest and potential for engagement and impact with industry, government and/or policy communities.

SALARY AND BENEFITS

Salary is competitive and commensurate with the professional experience and qualifications. Fringe benefits include employee health, dental, and faculty life/disability insurance, social security, faculty retirement and opportunities for professional development.

STARTING DATE: August 27, 2013
APPLICATION DEADLINE: Review of applications will begin on November 15, 2012, but the position will remain open until filled.

APPLICATION PROCEDURE
Apply online at: http://employment.umn.edu and search for Requisition #179587. Cover letter and CV must be attached online. Other required documents can be mailed to address listed below.

A COMPLETE application must include:

1) Letter of application that explains your vision for this position and how your career goals, training and experience support your candidacy;
2) A complete curriculum vitae;
3) An official graduate transcript;
4) Examples of published work; and
5) Names and contact information of three individuals who can comment on your abilities and experience.

Email inquiries about the position are welcome, but formal application process is required. Send all materials that can not be submitted online by November 15, 2012 to:

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