



# California State University, Fresno

College of Agricultural Sciences and Technology

Department of Food Science and Nutrition

Vacancy # 09TAG005

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## General Information:

California State University, Fresno is one of 23 campuses in the California State University System. The University's mission is to offer high quality educational opportunities to qualified students at the bachelor's and master's levels, and in certain applied disciplines at the doctoral level. The current enrollment is approximately 20,000 students with diverse and culturally rich backgrounds. The University serves the San Joaquin Valley while maintaining deep involvement with the state, nation, and world. California State University, Fresno promotes student learning and community engagement through faculty scholarship and service learning opportunities in collaboration with community organizations, education, industry, business and government. The university was one of the first US Colleges and Universities to be selected by The Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching for its new Community Engagement Classification.

Metropolitan Fresno, with a multi-ethnic population of over 600,000, is located in the heart of the San Joaquin Valley on the western edge of the Sierra Nevada Mountain Range. The campus is within easy driving distance of San Francisco, Los Angeles, Yosemite, Kings Canyon and Sequoia National Parks, the Monterey Peninsula, Lake Tahoe, beaches, sailing, lakes, and numerous ski resorts. Fresno boasts one of the most reasonable housing markets in California and offers a wide array of locally grown fruits and produce.

The Immigration Reform and Control Act of 1986 requires the University to inform you that we can employ only U.S. citizens and aliens lawfully authorized to work in the U.S. Each new employee is required to present documentation verifying his/her identity and authorization to accept employment.

## DIETETICS AND FOOD ADMINISTRATION ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR/PROFESSOR/CHAIR (WITH TENURE)

- Available for the Academic Year: 2009/2010.
- Fresno State has been designated to the Community Engagement Classification by The Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching.
- Faculty members gain a clear path to tenure through the University's Probationary Plan Process.
- Salary placement depends upon academic preparation and professional experience. In some circumstances, exceptional faculty at higher ranks may be considered.
- Instructional Level: Undergraduate/Graduate.

**Commitment to Equal Employment Opportunity and Diversity:** California State University, Fresno is an Affirmative Action/Equal Employment Opportunity Employer. The university is proud of its culturally diverse faculty, staff, and students, and strongly encourages applications from minorities, women, individuals with disabilities, covered veterans, and those who are interested in or experienced with community engagement.

**Specific Position Characteristics:** The successful candidate will initially be given an academic administrative assignment as department chair, for which appropriate release time will be provided. Department chairs serve at the pleasure of the President. Professionalism, collegiality, and integrity are essential traits for this position. The chair will provide leadership for department planning including setting strategic direction, developing requests and advocating for future faculty positions. The chair mentors and supports new faculty in the department. The successful candidate is also expected to teach courses in the dietetics and food administration and graduate programs. Opportunities exist for a reduced teaching load to conduct research and for summer salary supplement. Additional responsibilities will include service on appropriate committees; student academic advising; leading graduate theses; working with student organizations; participation in service at all levels of the University; and engaging in community service related to professional responsibilities. Specific assignments are dependent on department need. The successful candidate will be called upon to teach in a distance education mode and will be encouraged to develop web-based instruction. Outcomes assessment and service learning are important components of the university curriculum. The successful candidate will be expected to work cooperatively with faculty and staff in the department and college. Faculty members are also expected to engage in service activities at all levels of the university and provide academic and professional advice to students.

**Qualifications - Academic Preparation:** An earned doctorate (PhD) in Dietetics (or related discipline) from an accredited institution or equivalent and Registered Dietitian status from the Commission on Dietetic Registration of the American Dietetic Association is required. Related disciplines may include but are not limited to nutrition, biochemistry, exercise physiology, public health, foodservice/organizational/healthcare management, or medical/health education. Appointment at the rank of Professor will require a record of outstanding teaching, scholarly work, and/or other professional activities.

**Qualifications - Teaching and Other Professional Experience:** Candidates are required to have 6-12 years of productive experience in teaching, research and other scholarly/professional activities at the university level. For exceptional candidates this experience period may be reduced. Evidence of ability to plan, budget and manage an academic department in a consultative and collegial style is required. The ability to use technology to enhance instruction is preferred. The successful candidate must have the ability to work effectively with faculty, staff and students from diverse ethnic, cultural, and socioeconomic backgrounds.

**Application:** Form is available online at [www.csufresno.edu/aps/vacancy/sc1.pdf](http://www.csufresno.edu/aps/vacancy/sc1.pdf). Send completed application, curriculum vitae, and three current letters of reference (dated within the last 12 months) to:

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For additional information about department chair position at the College of Agricultural Sciences and Technology please contact the Dean's office at (559) 278-2061.

**Open Until Filled:** To ensure the fullest consideration of their applications, applicants are encouraged to have all application materials on file by November 1, 2008.