

UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, SANTA CRUZ

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES

Ruth and Alfred Heller Professor of Agroecology

The [Department of Environmental Studies](#) at the University of California, Santa Cruz (UCSC) invites applications for a tenured position as an Associate Professor or Full Professor of Agroecology. We seek applicants who use ecological techniques (experimental and observational), theories, and methods at a range of spatial scales and who are applying them to further sustainable food systems. Preferred candidates will have research interests in natural science questions in the context of larger social issues. Examples include landscape-level processes, organic agriculture, integrated pest management, and adaptations to global change. The successful candidate will be expected to take a leadership role in maintaining and strengthening the department's prominence in agroecology and sustainable agricultural systems, and facilitating research and teaching at the Center for Agroecology and Sustainable Food Systems ([CASFS](#)). The person selected for this position will also have a formal appointment (25 percent) in CASFS, which is an interdisciplinary research and education program that includes a large organic garden and farm. This individual will be expected to anchor the center's research program in agroecology, pursue grants, and help shape the future research and education mission of the organization.

The Department of Environmental Studies comprises social and natural scientists committed to cross-disciplinary communication and collaboration. The successful candidate will complement and enhance our existing faculty strengths in agroecology and sustainable food systems, and will be expected to interact with students and faculty whose interests include conservation biology, environmental policy, political economy, and global change. Applicants for this position should be dedicated to teaching and mentorship at both graduate and undergraduate levels. We are especially interested in candidates who can contribute to the diversity and excellence of the academic community through their research, teaching, and/or service.

The department seeks candidates who will help to build its research specialization in global- and regional-scale processes. The department and campus feature a range of facilities and programs, including CASFS, a fully equipped the GIS laboratory (the [Center for Integrated Spatial Research](#)), and experiential undergraduate programs, such as the [Program in Community and Agroecology](#) (PICA).

RANK: Associate Professor or Full Professor

SALARY: Commensurate with qualifications and experience.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS: Ph.D. in a relevant discipline, demonstrated excellence in research, teaching, and service.

POSITION AVAILABLE: July 1, 2012, with academic year commencing Fall 2012

TO APPLY: Applicants should provide a letter of application discussing research agendas and teaching interests, curriculum vitae, and names and contact information for three references. Applicants are encouraged to submit a statement addressing their contributions to diversity through their research, teaching, and/or service.

All materials should be sent to:

Chair, Search Committee, #088
Environmental Studies Department
University of California
1156 High Street
Santa Cruz, CA 95064

Please refer to position #088-12 in your reply

CLOSING DATE: The position will remain open until filled, but in order to be considered at the initial screening the complete application must be received by the department by October 21, 2011.

UC Santa Cruz faculty make significant contributions to the body of research that has earned the University of California the ranking as the foremost public higher education institution in the world. In the process, our faculty demonstrate that cutting-edge research, excellent teaching and outstanding service are mutually supportive.

The University of California, Santa Cruz is an Affirmative Action/Equal Employment Opportunity Employer, committed to excellence through diversity. We strive to establish a climate that welcomes, celebrates, and promotes respect for the contributions of all students and employees.

Inquiries regarding the University's equal employment opportunity policies may be directed to: Office of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion at the University of California, Santa Cruz, CA 95064; (831) 459-3676. Under Federal law, the University of California may employ only individuals who are legally able to work in the United States as established by providing documents as specified in the Immigration Reform and Control Act of 1986. Certain UCSC positions funded by federal contracts or sub-contracts require the selected candidate to pass an E-Verify check. More information is available [here](#) or from the Academic Personnel Office at (831) 459-5579.

If you need assistance due to a disability please contact the Academic Personnel Office at 499 Clark Kerr Hall (831) 459-5579. This position description is available in alternate formats, which may be requested from Academic Personnel at (831) 459-5579.