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Job Title Department Institution	Assistant/Associate/Full Professor (Forestry) East Baton Rouge Parish LSU AgCenter Baton Rouge, Louisiana
Date Posted	Aug. 29, 2024
Application Deadline Position Start Date	Oct. 15, 2024 Available immediately
Job Categories	Assistant Professor Associate Professor Professor
Academic Field(s)	Agricultural - General
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#### POSITION VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

The School of Renewable Natural Resources (SRNR) is pleased to invite applications from emerging and established scholars for a tenure-track or tenured appointment. The appointment may be tenure-track at the rank of Assistant Professor or Associate Professor, depending on qualifications and experience. All positions will have 12-month appointment with primary responsibilities in research (~60%) and teaching (~40%).

SRNR seeks to advance a faculty with broad and complementary skills, experience, and interests.



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SRNR faculty have wide-ranging interests in natural resource ecology and management and have benefited from various levels of collaboration. Successful applicants will not only have strong analytical skills, a history of publication, and success in securing extramural funding but also desire to mix their expertise into ongoing and new research. Major areas of research interest are given below.

**Louisiana State University,**located on the banks of the Mississippi River in Baton Rouge, Louisiana (USA), is the state's flagship institution and most comprehensive university. Founded in 1853, LSU currently has an enrollment of 28,764 undergraduate and 4,755 graduate students in 235 academic fields of study. LSU is an R1 research institute with land-grant, sea-grant, and space-grant designations and a world-class faculty that contributes to research, education, and service at an international level.

**The School of Renewable Natural Resources in the LSU AgCenter** focuses on natural resource research, education, and service in conservation biology, fisheries, forestry, wetlands, and wildlife, with a faculty that studies a wide range of topics and species both nationally and internationally. SRNR consists of approximately 25 faculty members, 280 undergraduate students, and 50 graduate students. SRNR has B.S., M.S., and Ph.D. degree programs in Renewable Natural Resources with nine areas of concentration, including six accredited by the Society of American Foresters.

**Position Description:**Applicants must have earned a Ph.D. in forestry, forest ecology, or a closely related field. Areas of expertise could include forest habitat restoration, silviculture, forest hydrology, ecosystem services, and global change biology. Knowledge of forest soils or floodplain processes would be advantageous. The scope of research could include various aspects of climate change such as restoring the adaptive capacity of forests and mitigating legacy agricultural practices and altered hydrology on the structure, function, and composition of forest stands. Research relevant to forests to disturbance, wildlife habitat, and carbon sequestration would be especially useful. Teaching duties include relevant courses in the forest management and wildlife habitat undergraduate curricula and a graduate course based on expertise.

**Qualification Requirements:**Successful candidates must hold a Ph.D. in a discipline appropriate to the field of research. Qualifications for these positions include strong potential or demonstrated



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excellence (as appropriate to career stage) in research productivity, a strong commitment to teaching, including mentorship and supervision, a commitment to service, and the ability to obtain internal and external funding for independent research. Collaboration with AgCenter researchers, extension specialists, and natural resource managers from state and federal agencies, private consultants, forest industry, and conservation groups is also expected.

**Salary and Benefits:**Salary will be commensurate with qualifications and experience. The LSU AgCenter benefits package provides a wide variety of benefit options. Benefits offered include retirement, choice of multiple medical insurance plans, supplemental insurances (dental, life, long-term disability, accident, vision, long-term care, etc.), a tax saving plan for some child care and medical expenses, university holidays (14 per year, typically includes a week off in December), generous annual (vacation) and sick leave benefits, an Employee Assistance Program, and possible educational leave and tuition exemption for coursework at campuses of the LSU System. Specific benefits depend on the job category, percent effort and length of employment.

**Application Deadline:**Review of applications will begin on 15 October 2024 and continue until suitable candidates are found. The anticipated start date will be 1 July 2025 or as negotiated. Three letters of reference will be requested for applicants invited for interviews.

**Application Procedure:**All applicants must apply online at <a href="https://LSU.wd1.myworkdayjobs.com/LSU">https://LSU.wd1.myworkdayjobs.com/LSU</a> (or through Workday for internal applicants by attaching:

1. A brief cover letter introducing the candidate, including training, skills, and research interests;

- 2. A complete curriculum vitae including research, teaching, and service experience;
- 3. A statement of anticipated research program interest and structure;

4. A statement of teaching philosophy and identification of existing SRNR or new courses (undergraduate and graduate) the applicant could teach, and;

5. Names and contact information for three people who can be contacted for letters of reference.



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Paper, faxed or e-mailed application materials will not be accepted, except that in lieu of attaching the reference letters online, they may be sent directly to:

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