

Assistant or Associate Professor of Animal and Food
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Job Title	Assistant or Associate Professor of Animal and Food Sciences
Department	81070:ANIMAL AND FOOD SCIENCES
Institution	University of Kentucky Lexington, Kentucky
Date Posted	May 5, 2025
Application Deadline	Open until filled
Position Start Date	August 2025
Job Categories	Assistant Professor Associate Professor
Academic Field(s)	Poultry Science Agricultural Extension
Job Website	https://ukjobs.uky.edu/postings/581842

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Job Description

Position Title: Assistant/Associate Professor of Animal and Food Sciences

Tenure Track: Regular Title Series, 12-month appointment

Effort Distribution: 60% Research, 40% Extension

The Martin-Gatton College of Agriculture, Food and Environment at the University of Kentucky invites applications for a tenure-eligible position in poultry science. The successful candidate will develop an extramurally funded research program addressing high-impact areas such as digestive health, immunology, disease resistance, or genetic interactions in poultry production. Expertise in "omics" technologies and interdisciplinary collaboration is highly valued.

Responsibilities include engaging with industry, regulatory, and government stakeholders to strengthen

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poultry production in the Commonwealth and identify critical issues facing the poultry industry. Responsibilities also include working closely with extension educators and partners in allied animal industries toward a common goal of fulfilling the college and department missions as well as mentoring undergraduate and graduate students, and contributing to teaching initiatives.

Candidates will have access to state-of-the-art facilities, including on-campus laboratories and animal research facilities, as well as the C. Oran Little Research Center (<https://research.ca.uky.edu/c-oran-little-research-center>), the Maine Chance Equine Campus (<https://equine.ca.uky.edu/>), the upcoming Meats & Foods Industry Advancement Center (<https://future.ca.uky.edu/projects/industry-advancement-center>) and the UK Research and Education Center at Princeton, KY (<https://wkrec.ca.uky.edu>).

Our new colleague will have the opportunity to capitalize on the investments we have and are making to construct new state of the science facilities that will allow you to conduct research on layers, broiler breeders, and broiler chickens at our newly constructed farm at the C. Oran Little Research Center and in our on campus vivarium, currently under construction, as part of the Agricultural Research Building (<https://future.ca.uky.edu/projects/ag-research-building>).

Application Materials:

Applicants are required to submit:

- **Letter of interest** summarizing qualifications, area of expertise, career goals, and a vision for an extramurally funded, innovative, and impactful research and extension program that addresses existing and emerging issues necessary for sustainable growth of poultry production in the Commonwealth. (*upload under Cover Letter*)
- **Current curriculum vitae** with names and contact information (emails and phone numbers) of three professional references. References should address, in their professional judgment, your performance in advancing your scholarly field, significance of publication venues, grants involvement, instructional accomplishments, and service contributions. Indicate your relationship to each reference.
- **Academic transcripts.**
- **Statement of research** (2-page limit) detailing the direction and vision for establishing an extramurally funded research program with potential to positively impact the poultry industry. This should include a section on student mentoring (undergraduate and graduate). (*upload under Special Request 1*)

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- **Statement of extension** (2-page limit) outlining innovative approaches to engage the poultry industry and governmental agencies in addressing the needs and challenges of the industry. *(upload under Special Request 2)*

Applications should be submitted by **May 20, 2025**, for full consideration. Position will remain open until filled and the anticipated interview period will be June to July 2025. The position's anticipated start date is as early as **August 1, 2025**.

Contact Information

Please reference Academickeys in your cover letter when applying for or inquiring about this job announcement.

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