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Job Title Assistant Meats Lab Manager

Department East Baton Rouge Parishq

Institution LSU AgCenter

Baton Rouge, Louisiana

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Application Deadline Aug. 22, 2025

Position Start Date Available immediately

Job Categories Professional Staff

Academic Field(s) Agricultural - General

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Job Description

POSITION VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

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The LSU Agricultural Center is a statewide organization with offices in every parish of Louisiana. We are currently seeking extraordinary candidates for the position outlined below. This position will be domiciled in the Department of Animal Sciences.

About the LSU Agricultural Center: The <u>LSU AgCenter</u> is one of 8 campuses within the LSU enterprise. The LSU AgCenter includes the Louisiana Agricultural Experiment Station, which conducts agricultural-based research, and the Louisiana Cooperative Extension Service, which extends the



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knowledge derived from research to the people of the state. The AgCenter is headquartered in Baton Rouge and has 12 academic departments and five regions, which are made up of 15 branch research stations and an extension office in each parish. More information can be found at www.lsuagcenter.com.

Position Description: The Assistant Meats Lab Manager will support the day-to-day operations of the Meats Laboratory. Responsibilities include assisting with animal slaughter, carcass fabrication, meat product processing, and data collection related to these activities. The individual will also participate in scientific testing, including microbiological analysis of both products and equipment. This position reports to Dr. Philip Elzer. Specific duties are as follows:

- Assist with routine operations in the Meats Laboratory, including slaughtering, fabrication, processing, and accurate data collection.
- Support research efforts by conducting scientific and microbiological testing, coordinating projects with faculty and graduate students, and maintaining laboratory standards.
- Train and supervise undergraduate students in laboratory procedures, facility operations, and safety protocols.
- Performs other duties as assigned.

Candidates with knowledge of HACCP principles, strong attention to quality assurance, and experience with humane livestock handling are preferred. The facility supports teaching, research, and extension activities for faculty, graduate students, and undergraduates.

Qualification Requirements: More than three years meat and livestock industry experience, B.S. degree in animal science or food science preferred. The candidate must have a strong work ethic,



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along with the capacity to work with different personalities. The ability to communicate clearly and concisely is desired.

LSU and the AgCenter are dedicated to fostering an environment where our employees feel appreciated for their skills and individual qualifications. If a candidate does not meet the minimum qualifications listed but has other qualifications or substantial experience related to the key responsibilities, we encourage them to apply (per La. RS 42:36).

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

Date Available: Upon completion of the selection process.

Application Deadline: August 22, 2025 or until a suitable candidate is identified.

Application Procedure: Qualified candidates must apply online at https://lsu.wd1.myworkdayjobs.com/LSU (or through Workday for internal applicants) by attaching file(s) containing a curriculum vita, a letter of application, official university transcripts, and two letters of reference. Questions about the online application system should be directed to the HRM Office at 225/578-0324 or hrmhelp@agcenter.lsu.edu. (Paper, faxed, or emailed application materials will not be accepted.) In lieu of attaching the letters of reference, they may be sent directly to:



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