



THE OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY

COLLEGE OF FOOD, AGRICULTURAL,
AND ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES

Assistant Professor of Agricultural Communication (R33992)

Department of Agricultural Communication, Education, and Leadership (ACEL)

POSITION TITLE: Assistant Professor, tenure-track, 9-month appointment

EFFORT: 75% Teaching / 25% Research

LOCATION: Columbus, Ohio

POSITION AVAILABLE: August 15, 2022

POSITION DESCRIPTION, COLLABORATIONS AND FACILITIES: The Department of Agricultural Communication, Education, and Leadership (ACEL) is committed to enhancing diversity and inclusion in our professions. Our aim is to recruit, support, and retain a scholar who will bring diverse life experiences and expertise that will assist ACEL in reaching and serving audiences and communities who have been historically underserved. The faculty member will engage in advancing the agricultural communication program in ACEL by demonstrating excellence in teaching and research. The faculty member will be expected to teach face-to-face and online undergraduate courses that support agricultural communication students and graduate courses serving students across the ACEL M.S. and Ph.D. curricula. Graduate and undergraduate academic and career advising are expected. A novel research agenda that complements the teaching appointment in the areas of public relations/marketing, crisis/risk management, public opinion, discourse analysis or similar area is expected. The faculty member is expected to interact closely with all components of ACEL and to collaborate with our partners at Ohio State ATI. In addition, the candidate will engage with targeted key partners campus-wide and in the College of Food, Agricultural, and Environmental Sciences (CFAES). The incumbent will also be expected to seek internal and external research support and capacity building funds.

The successful candidate is expected to develop a comprehensive program that includes engaging in dynamic interdisciplinary scholarship, and teaching excellence.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS, EXPERIENCE, SKILLS AND ABILITIES: Ph.D. in agricultural communication, journalism, mass communications, public relations, or a related field; excellent written and oral communication skills. The candidate must have an excellent record of/interest in teaching undergraduate and/or graduate courses. Research interest/expertise in one or more of the following areas: public relations/marketing, crisis/risk management, news and feature writing. Applicants need to provide evidence of their ability or potential to secure extramural funding from private and public sources as well as evidence of scholarly ability and productivity. Ability or potential to provide excellent graduate and undergraduate advising with a clear desire to serve students and stakeholders from diverse groups.

DESIRABLE EXPERIENCE, SKILLS AND ABILITIES: Ability to work collaboratively with faculty from other degree programs in ACEL and a willingness to contribute to the overall ACEL

mission. Experience in the following areas is desirable: public relations writing, news writing, or business writing; mentoring diverse individuals; applying agricultural communication expertise in international development settings, and expertise in quantitative research methodologies. Experience or evidence of interest in addressing CFAES grand challenges of Sustainability, One Health, Rural-urban interface, and Preparing the next generation of scientists and leaders.

ANTICIPATED DUTIES:

1. Teach undergraduate and graduate courses – across modalities from face-to-face to completely online – in agricultural communication or in areas of common need across graduate disciplines in the department
2. Advise undergraduate majors and minors and graduate students
3. Develop a focused program of research
4. Seek externally funded grants and contracts in support of the candidate's scholarship of discovery
5. Serve on ACEL, CFAES, and OSU committees
6. Advise student organizations

FOR MORE INFORMATION OR QUESTIONS REGARDING THE POSITION: Please contact Committee Co-Chairs Dr. Annie Specht (614) 292-1626, specht.21@osu.edu and Dr. Joy Rumble (330) 287-1368 rumble.6@osu.edu, or ACEL Department Chair, Dr. Shannon Washburn, (614) 292-6909, washburn.130@osu.edu

APPLICATIONS: Applications will be accepted until a suitable candidate is found. Review of applications will begin after January 10, 2022. Applicants must submit a) cover letter addressing qualifications for the position as outlined in the position description; b) complete curriculum vita; c) copies of academic transcripts; d) copies of a maximum of three relevant publications; e) philosophy of teaching and learning to include lifelong learner needs; and f) statement regarding your experience and/or philosophy in mentoring individuals from diverse groups. Applicants must also provide contact information for three professional references. In addition to completing online application forms, all above listed materials will be uploaded as a single PDF at <https://hr.osu.edu/careers/> Refer to position R33992. Active OSU employees and students click on the box titled, "Current OSU Employees and Enrolled Students," externals on the box titled, "All Non-OSU Employees."

The Ohio State University is committed to establishing a culturally and intellectually diverse environment and encouraging all members of our learning community to reach their full potential. We are responsive to dual-career families and strongly promote work-life balance to support our community members through a suite of institutionalized policies. We are an NSF Advance Institution and a member of the Ohio/Western Pennsylvania/West Virginia Higher Education Recruitment Consortium

To build a diverse workforce Ohio State encourages applications from individuals with disabilities, minorities, veterans, and women. EEO/AA employer.