



College of Veterinary Medicine

NOTICE OF VACANCY

Assistant Professor

Infectious Diseases

Department of Veterinary Microbiology and Pathology

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Washington State University

Pullman, WA 99164-7040

DESCRIPTION OF POSITION: This is a full-time (12 month) tenure-track position at the rank of Assistant Professor in the Department of Veterinary Microbiology and Pathology.

RESPONSIBILITIES: The position is defined as approximately 85% research, 10% formal teaching in graduate education and 5% service. The successful candidate will be expected to develop and maintain a productive, extramurally funded research program in infectious disease. Candidates with a research emphasis in immunology, parasitology, virology, or vector-borne diseases are especially encouraged to apply. As a faculty member the successful candidate will be expected to establish effective collaborations with current WSU programs and be active in the department's graduate program, including mentoring graduate students and serving as a member of student advisory committees. The successful candidate will also be expected to be active in the academic service arena.

This position includes a competitive institutional salary and generous start-up package.

REQUIRED QUALIFICATIONS: A doctoral degree in biomedical discipline or related field is required. At the Assistant Professor level, a minimum two years productive post-doctoral research experience is required. The research area should be compatible with the departmental research focus on infectious diseases. Areas of emphasis include immunology, virology, parasitology and vector-borne diseases and programs that cross-fertilize these areas are most welcome. Candidates must have demonstrated abilities in conducting hypothesis-based research and publishing high quality papers in top tier journals; a track record of, or strong potential for attracting extramural funding, and a history or interest in contributing to high quality graduate education. The Department of Veterinary Microbiology and Pathology seeks candidates whose research, teaching, or service has prepared them to contribute to our commitment to diversity and inclusion in higher education.

DEPARTMENT: The Department of Veterinary Microbiology and Pathology is one of five departments/schools in the College of Veterinary Medicine. The departmental mission is "to enhance animal and public health through teaching veterinary and graduate students, training veterinary pathology and microbiology residents, and conducting biomedical research in infectious diseases/immunology". The department takes pride in what we believe is an environment that fosters collaboration, creativity, personal and professional

growth, and productivity. Although few faculty members are personally involved in all the traditional missions of teaching, research, and service, we value and seek excellence in all three.

The personnel of the Department of Veterinary Microbiology and Pathology, the USDA-ARS-Animal Disease Research Unit, the School for Global Animal Health, and the Washington Animal Disease Diagnostic Laboratory are housed together in the College of Veterinary Medicine. There are many productive interactions among the individuals in the four units and many faculty members have appointments in multiple units. There are congruencies of interests and fruitful collaborations among the faculty and personnel in these four units, and aside from some unit-specific responsibilities, it is an overarching cohesive organization. Our aim and our expectation is that to the degree possible, the programs of the four units will function seamlessly.

UNIVERSITY: Washington State University is a land grant, comprehensive research institution with an enrollment of approximately 19,500 students on the Pullman campus. There are eleven colleges offering doctoral degrees in 46 disciplines; masters and bachelor's degrees are offered in 67 areas of study. The University is one of the largest residential universities in the Northwest and Pullman offers a safe, friendly, small-town living environment. Branch campuses are located in three urban communities across the state.

AREA: Washington State University's Pullman campus is situated in the rich agricultural area known as the Palouse, in eastern Washington. Pullman has a strong school system and a reputation as an excellent, safe environment to raise a family. Pullman is only eight miles from the University of Idaho at Moscow, approximately 1.5 hours south of Spokane and 5.5 hours from Seattle. The Pullman environs offers many recreational activities including skiing, fishing, hunting, whitewater rafting, camping, hiking, and rock climbing. Pullman is near the foothills of the Rocky Mountains, and near numerous rivers, lakes and wilderness areas; including the Snake, Salmon, and Clearwater rivers, Coeur d'Alene, Pend Oreille, and Priest lakes, and the Selway-Bitterroot Wilderness to name a few.

APPLICATION DEADLINE: Review of applications will begin 1 March 2021 and review of new applications will continue until 1 April 2021.

[Application instructions are linked here.](#) Please submit an application letter, curriculum vitae, statement of research interests, diversity statement and a list of three references including name, title, organization, phone number, and email address. The application letter should indicate the applicant's short- and long-term goals and outline his/her qualifications for the position, including research interests and accomplishments. The diversity statement should address communication skills and cross-cultural abilities to maximize effective collaboration with a diverse community of campus and external colleagues is required. For questions or confidential expressions of interest please contact Sue Zumwalt at szumwalt@wsu.edu.

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