

UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, SANTA CRUZ

CENTER FOR AGROECOLOGY AND SUSTAINABLE FOOD SYSTEMS

Sustainable Agrifood Systems Associate Specialist

The University of California, Santa Cruz [Center for Agroecology and Sustainable Agrifood Systems](#) (CASFS) is accepting applications for a Sustainable Agrifood Systems Associate Specialist. Under the general direction of the CASFS Director, the Associate Specialist will research and develop educational projects and materials on sustainable food systems, coordinate and edit a book, manage a campus-based agrifood seminar, oversee participatory research projects, help develop research collaborations, and participate in social science research and education development for the Center.

The Associate Specialist will participate in a project team working on research, education, and public service, funded through a one-year grant on health, sustainability, and agrifood system literacy. Working with the team, the Associate Specialist will be responsible for developing education projects and materials for college students and the public on the nature of the food system, major issues within it, and opportunities for increasing sustainability. The Associate Specialist will organize and convene a monthly campus agrifood seminar, the purpose of which is to advance knowledge in sustainable agrifood systems and develop research collaborations. The Associate Specialist will coordinate contributions and serve as developmental editor for a book on food systems and health. The Associate Specialist will help to develop social-science-based research and education collaborations on- and off-campus, develop funding proposals for such projects, and participate in the development of the Center's strategic plan in these areas.

RANK: Associate Specialist, 100% time (fiscal year)

SALARY: \$48,372 – \$51,270, commensurate with qualifications and experience; full UC benefits

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS: Ph.D. in sociology, geography, social anthropology, public health, or related social-science field. Strong record of academic research and scholarly publications in a social science discipline. Experience writing research proposals. Experience teaching at a university level and developing materials for university courses. Excellent English-language written and oral communication skills. Demonstrated understanding of ecologically sustainable and equitable agrifood systems.

PREFERRED QUALIFICATIONS: Experience making presentations in both academic and popular venues. Experience serving on review panels for academic research proposals. Experience using bibliographic databases, internet and intranet, word processing, spreadsheet, presentation, and database computer programs. Demonstrated ability to work effectively as a member of a project team and ability to manage multiple research projects. Background in developmental editing and working with multiple academic authors.

POSITION AVAILABLE: Immediate opening. Appointment is for one year with potential for reappointment, contingent upon the availability of funding and a positive performance review.

TO APPLY: *Electronic submission strongly encouraged.* Applicants should submit a letter of interest, curriculum vitae, writing sample, and names of three references with contact information, via email to jlandeck@ucsc.edu

Alternate mailing address:

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Please refer to Position #T09-16 in your reply

CLOSING DATE: Application materials must be postmarked by August 30, 2008.

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If you need assistance due to a disability please contact the Academic Personnel Office at 499 Clark Kerr Hall (831) 459-4300. This position description is available in alternate formats, which may be requested from Academic Personnel at (831) 459-4300.

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