



# POSITION ANNOUNCEMENT

**APPOINTMENT:** August 23, 2010.

**REQUIRED QUALIFICATIONS:** Earned doctorate in Agricultural Economics, Agricultural Marketing, or closely related field.

**PREFERRED QUALIFICATIONS:** Evidence of actual or potential success in teaching, research, and service. Familiarity with corn, soybean, cattle, and/or hog production.

**RESPONSIBILITIES:** Teach various courses in agricultural marketing, grain and livestock merchandizing, and futures and options and/or other agribusiness courses based on interests and programmatic needs. The successful candidate will also be responsible for overseeing the School of Agriculture's Trading Laboratory. The individual is expected to communicate and interact with the agricultural community and conduct agricultural marketing/futures and options teaching-oriented research. The successful candidate is expected to demonstrate effective communication and interpersonal skills with undergraduate students and serve on School of Agriculture, College, and/or University committees.

**RANK & SALARY:** Assistant Professor with salary commensurate with training and experience. Western Illinois University offers a competitive benefits package that includes domestic partner benefits. For full benefit information visit: <http://www.wiu.edu/hr/benefits.php>.

**THE DEPARTMENT:** The School of Agriculture is one of eight departments housed in the College of Business and Technology and has 14 full-time faculty and 7 support staff positions. Approximately 330 students are majoring in Agriculture. Included on the School of Agriculture's three farms (the nearest located one mile north of the main campus) are bull, swine, and ram test facilities; livestock center; tree nursery and horticultural plots; and row crop test and demonstration plots. More information on the School of Agriculture can be found at <http://www.wiu.edu/ag>.

**THE UNIVERSITY:** Recognized as one of the nation's "Best Value" institutions and one of the "Best in the Midwest Colleges" by the Princeton Review, as well as a Tier 1 Midwestern Masters Institution by "US News and World Report," Western Illinois University (WIU) serves approximately 13,000 students in the heart of the Midwest through its traditional, residential four-year campus in Macomb, IL and its upper-division urban commuter location in the Quad Cities/Moline, IL.

Western's friendly, accessible, nurturing campus communities are dedicated to higher values in higher education and are comprised of strong faculty, state-of-the-art technology and facilities and a wide range of academic and extracurricular opportunities for students and staff. The four core values at the heart of WIU are academic excellence, educational opportunity, personal growth, and social responsibility. WIU's GradTrac and Cost Guarantee programs ensure that students can achieve their degrees within four years while paying a fixed rate for tuition, fees, plus room and board. WIU remains the only university in Illinois to guarantee the cost for tuition plus fees and room and board for students over a four year period at both the undergraduate and graduate level.

WIU is a comprehensive public university offering 57 undergraduate degree programs, 36 graduate degree programs, and a doctorate degree. With a student-to-faculty ratio of 17 to 1, WIU's 649 full-time faculty teach 95% percent of all undergraduate as well as graduate courses in addition to 13 pre-professional degree programs and 10 certificate programs. Western Illinois University is a member of the NCAA and competes at the Division I level. The Leslie F. Malpass Library ranks among the finest at

comprehensive universities in the United States.

WIU is accredited by the Higher Learning Commission and is a member of the North Central Association.

**APPLICATION:** Interested individuals should send an application letter, copies of transcripts, curriculum vita, names and contact information for at least 3 references, and a statement of teaching philosophy. Please include current email address for correspondence. Apply to: Dr. Kevin J. Bacon, Search Committee Chair, School of Agriculture, Western Illinois University; 1 University Circle; Macomb, IL 61455-1390.

Review of Applications will begin January 8, 2010 and continue until the position is filled.

*Western Illinois University is an Affirmative Action/Equal Opportunity employer and has a strong institutional commitment to diversity. In that spirit, we are particularly interested in receiving applications from a broad spectrum of people, including minorities, women, and persons with disabilities. WIU has a non-discrimination policy that includes sex, race, color, sexual orientation, gender identity and gender expression, religion, age, marital status, national origin, disability, or veteran status.*