

University of Alberta
Faculty of Agricultural, Life and Environmental Sciences

Bocock Chair in Agriculture and Environment

The Faculty of Agricultural, Life and Environmental Sciences at the University of Alberta invites applications for the tenure-track faculty position at the rank of Full Professor to fill the newly created **Bocock Chair in Agriculture and Environment**. The University of Alberta is one of Canada's premier teaching and research-intensive universities serving approximately 36,000 students with over 11,000 faculty and staff.

The complex relationship between agricultural practices and their effects on the environment functions at both local and global scales, thus presenting challenges that are difficult to comprehend, predict and manage using current approaches. Agricultural practices, in certain times and places, have contributed to greenhouse gas emissions, eutrophication of wetlands, landscape homogenization, loss of biodiversity, soil erosion, and unsustainable water demands. Yet, the future of agriculture depends very much on environmental health. The Bocock Chair in Agriculture and Environment will build a teaching and research program focused on this complex relationship as it relates to sustainable food production.

This position will build capacity in at least one of two of the Faculty's four major research themes: **Global Food Systems** and **Sustainable Land, Forest and Water Management**. The position may involve a joint appointment amongst departments, depending on the candidate's disciplinary alignment. As a leading member of a team of researchers working on sustainable crop and livestock production, animal welfare, food safety, waste management, biofuels/bioproducts, water management, economics and risk management, the incumbent will provide the strategic context and integration needed to comprehend, anticipate and respond to the hastening pace of change and uncertainty of global agricultural markets, and the public's concern for the environment.

The successful candidate will have a PhD and a distinguished record in university teaching and research in areas such as the social and policy sciences, integrated resource management or ecohealth, integrated pest management, water management, etc. that are considered central to the emerging challenge of sustainable food production. The successful candidate will have strong leadership and communication skills and experience in public debate on controversial issues.

Applications, including a curriculum vitae, teaching dossier, names of three references and a brief vision statement should be sent to:

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Position will remain open until a suitable candidate is found. For further information contact Dr. Kennelly at (780) 492-0102 / (780) 492-8524 (fax), email: John.Kennelly@ualberta.ca or visit the websites at (<http://www.ales.ualberta.ca>), (<http://www.uofaweb.ualberta.ca/Facts/>).

All qualified candidates are encouraged to apply; however, Canadians and permanent residents will be given priority.

The University of Alberta hires on the basis of merit. We are committed to the principle of equity in employment. We welcome diversity and encourage applications from all qualified women and men, including persons with disabilities, members of visible minorities, and Aboriginal persons.