Assistant Professor (tenure-track) in Plant Breeding

The University of Nevada, Reno is the State of Nevada's land grant and historic flagship institution of higher education and is ranked in the Top Tier of the "best national universities" by U.S. News & World Report, with plans to add up to 250 tenure-track faculty positions in 2015-2020. As integral components of the University, the Nevada Agricultural Experiment Station and the College of Agriculture, Biotechnology, and Natural Resources invite applications to fill a new assistant professor position in Plant Breeding within the Department of Agriculture, Nutrition, and Veterinary Sciences, as part of an effort to build a research cluster of excellence in Dryland Agriculture.

This is a 9-month, full time tenure-track appointment. Candidates must demonstrate a capacity to develop a high-impact, nationally recognized, and extramurally funded independent research program in germplasm improvement. This may include, but is not limited to, nutritional values of foods and feeds, crop resilience to the various types of abiotic and biotic challenges relevant to high desert agriculture, and land restoration. Ability for interdisciplinary collaboration, publishing high quality scientific research, and securing funding is expected.

The successful candidate will contribute to teaching and mentoring at both the undergraduate and graduate levels. Courses could include an introductory course in plant breeding (or similar) and a graduate level course in plant breeding and genetics, applied statistics, or another topic close to the candidate's area of expertise. The successful candidate is expected to collaborate with other crop scientists, plant molecular biologists, and rangeland and ecology scientists from the College's interdisciplinary plant science group and Cooperative Extension, as well as government and industry stakeholders and other academic or research institutions.

With a growing and increasingly diverse student enrollment of approximately 21,000, including over 3,100 graduate students, the University provides a comprehensive selection of degree programs at the undergraduate, graduate and doctoral levels. The University is a Carnegie "Research University/High" institution, placing it among the top 200 colleges and universities in the United States.

Required qualifications: Ph.D. in plant breeding, genetics, or similar discipline.

Preferred qualifications: Experience with development and release of agriculturally relevant crops highly desirable.

To Apply: Applicants should submit 1) a cover letter detailing required and preferred qualifications (no more than 1 page), 2) a current and complete curriculum vitae, 3) a statement of research experience and plans (no more than 3 pages), 4) a teaching statement (no more than 1 page), and 5) contact information of at least three references. For full consideration candidates should submit their application materials by October 1, 2016. The position will remain open until a viable candidate pool is determined. Please apply for this job posting on E-Search- https://www.unrsearch.com/postings/XXXXXX

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