

## **Chair of the Department of Animal and Veterinary Sciences (ASCI)**

The University of Vermont (UVM) invites applications and nominations for Chair of the Department of Animal and Veterinary Sciences (ASCI) in the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences. The Department is a multidisciplinary unit with research, instruction, and public outreach responsibilities. We seek a strong leader with the vision and management skills to advance the department while nurturing current programs of excellence. Areas of scholarly focus in ASCI include: lactation & mammary gland biology; genetics & genomics; nutrition & metabolism; dairy cattle health and management; dairy product composition and quality; and farm biosecurity. ASCI is committed to excellence in undergraduate animal sciences teaching and advising with four areas of emphasis: Pre-veterinary & Pre-professional training; Equine science; Dairy science; and Zoos, Exotics, and Companion Animals. Department outreach focuses on dairy and equine production and management. The department also administers the Animal Biosciences Graduate Program, which offers graduate degrees at both the MS and PhD levels. Additional information about the ASCI department can be found at <http://asci.uvm.edu>

The College of Agriculture and Life Sciences consists of six academic departments with 88 faculty members and 1,570 students. The ASCI department is among the largest in the college, serving approximately 360 undergraduate and graduate students. Special animal facilities associated within the college for teaching and research can be found at <https://www.uvm.edu/cals> and include the Paul R. Miller Research and Education Center, the Ellen A. Hardacre Equine Center, and the Morgan Horse Farm. Location of the Robert Larner College of Medicine and The University of Vermont Medical Center on campus provides important research linkages between ASCI and the biomedical sciences. Additional information can be found on the University's website at <http://www.uvm.edu>

We seek candidates who have demonstrated administrative expertise to lead a multifaceted department with a strong commitment to academic excellence in research, undergraduate & graduate education, and advising. The successful candidate will sustain a vigorous sponsored research program and teach and advise undergraduate and graduate students. The successful candidate will support oversight of the Miller Research and Education Center, Ellen A. Hardacre Equine Center, and Morgan Horse Farm. Candidates must have well-developed leadership and communication skills, demonstrated ability to promote the success of others, a record of commitment to affirmative action and cultural diversity, and a PhD or equivalent in Animal Sciences or other related life science areas. Candidates must have a productive and widely respected research program in the field of animal science meriting a tenured appointment, preferably at the rank of full professor. Candidates must also have an understanding of the impact of basic and applied research and extension within the mission of a land-grant university. Critical is the capacity to develop a strong working relationship with university partners, such as UVM's Food Systems Research Center, and government and agricultural stakeholders, including the Vermont dairy industry. As Chair, the successful candidate will report to the Dean of Agriculture and Life Sciences, with an expectation to provide leadership throughout the calendar year.

Since 1791, the University of Vermont has worked to move humankind forward. The fifth oldest university in New England, UVM boasts a legacy of important firsts in education: the first college to declare public support of freedom of religion and the first to admit women and African Americans to Phi Beta Kappa. Today, the university continues to provide endless ways to explore the world, challenge ideas, and dig in on the most pressing issues of our time.

At a glance:

- Founded in 1791, became a Land Grant university in 1862
- Home to seven undergraduate schools and colleges, the Honors College, Graduate College, Robert Larner College of Medicine, and Division of Continuing and Distance Education
- Enrollment: 10,519 undergraduates, 1,427 graduate students, 459 medical students, 25 post-baccalaureate certificates, 826 non-degree students
- 1,556 full- and part-time faculty
- Offering 100+ bachelor's degree programs, 50 master's programs, 29 accelerated master's programs, and 22 doctoral programs
- 18 Division I athletic teams
- "UVM" stands for Universitas Viridis Montis, Latin for University of the Green Mountains

This exceptional institution in an unparalleled location attracts top minds and talented professionals. At UVM, you'll join colleagues committed to excellence in their field, diversity and inclusion, ethical conduct, and working together to advance the University of Vermont's mission to create and share knowledge and educate accountable leaders for humankind.

Applicants should submit a cover letter conveying their vision on research, teaching, outreach, and departmental leadership; a curriculum vitae; and a statement on how they will contribute to advancing diversity and inclusive excellence at the University of Vermont. Nominations should be submitted to the Search Committee Chair, Dr. Paul Kindstedt, [Paul.Kindstedt@uvm.edu](mailto:Paul.Kindstedt@uvm.edu). Apply online at [www.uvmjobs.com](http://www.uvmjobs.com), Position # 005334. Evaluation of applications will begin January 3, 2023 and will continue until a suitable candidate is identified. The anticipated effective date for this appointment is July 1, 2023.

The University of Vermont is especially interested in candidates who can contribute to the diversity and inclusive excellence of the academic community through their teaching, service, and research, scholarship, or creative arts. We are an educationally purposeful community seeking to prepare students to be accountable leaders in a diverse and changing world. Members of the University of Vermont community embrace and advance the values of Our Common Ground: Openness, Respect, Responsibility, Integrity, Innovation, and Justice. The successful candidate will demonstrate a strong commitment to the ideals of accessibility, inclusiveness, and academic excellence as reflected in the tenets of Our Common Ground.

The University of Vermont is an Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action Employer. All qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, religion, sex,

sexual orientation, gender identity, national origin, disability, protected veteran status, or any other category legally protected by federal or state law.