Department Head – Clinical Sciences

Job Summary:

The College of Veterinary Medicine at Kansas State University invites applications and letters of nomination for the Head of the Department of Clinical Sciences. The Department seeks a dynamic committed leader with an international reputation within the veterinary profession. The successful candidate will have demonstrated an established record of excellence in teaching, research and scholarship.

Qualifications:

Required:
• DVM or equivalent degree and Diplomate of an AVMA recognized specialty board.
• Demonstrated outstanding achievement in teaching, service, and scholarship.
• Communication skills and leadership qualities that facilitate faculty and resource development.
• Ability to lead and manage the Department's broad, multidisciplinary programs.
• Strong commitment to the professional development of faculty, staff and students.

Preferred:
• Administrative experience in an academic setting at a College of Veterinary Medicine
• MS or PhD (or other earned doctoral degree)

Appointment:

The successful candidate will be eligible for appointment as a Professor, with tenure. This is a 12-month position with competitive salary commensurate with qualifications and experience.

How to Apply:

Review of applications will begin immediately and continue until the position is filled.

Interested candidates should apply at http://careers.k-state.edu/cw/en-us/job/500161/department-head-professor-department-of-clinical-sciences-veterinary-medicine. Please include a letter of intent addressing leadership philosophy and vision, curriculum vitae, and contact information for three individuals from whom letters of reference may be requested. The search is confidential and references will be contacted after initial screening and after candidates have given permission. Please contact the search committee chair with any questions and inquiries of interest: Dr. Amy J. Rankin (arankin@vet.k-state.edu 785-532-4233).
Responsibilities:

The Department Head will provide academic and administrative leadership for the Department of Clinical Sciences, including faculty and curriculum development, managing the allocation of funding and resources, and student career development. The Department Head will lead a Department of 40 faculty members who are nationally and internationally recognized for their excellence in service, teaching, and experimental and clinical investigations of diseases of animals. The successful candidate may have some clinical and teaching responsibilities.

Kansas State University is an Equal Opportunity Employer of individuals with disabilities and protected veterans and actively seeks diversity among its employees. Background check required.

Department Information:

The Department of Clinical Sciences emphasizes the clinical training of veterinary students (approximately 112 students/class), providing clinical service in the Veterinary Health Center, house officer specialty training, and research and scholarly activities.

The DCS Department Head will lead 40 faculty members who are nationally and internationally recognized for excellence in clinical service, teaching, and basic, applied, and clinical research. The Department has excellent, teaching, research, and diagnostic facilities. The Veterinary Health Center at Kansas State University (www.vet.k-state.edu/vhc) is a full service veterinary teaching hospital providing routine, specialty, and emergency care in Manhattan, Kansas. The Veterinary Health Center provides care for an annual caseload of approximately 25,000 patients seen on-site, through our ambulatory care services, in our zoo animal medicine program, and at area animal shelters. On-site services are provided in our well-equipped 180,000 square foot facility on the campus of Kansas State University. The VHC is staffed with approximately 25 house officers, 30 veterinary technicians, and 40 support and administrative staff.

The Department has excellent teaching, research, and diagnostic facilities. College research facilities include specialized core college laboratories for cellular and molecular biology, confocal microscopy, electron microscopy, flow cytometry and image analysis. Several research centers and institutes complement the Department's mission and include the Center for Excellence for Emerging and Zoonotic Animal Disease, the Center for Outcomes Research and Education, and the Center of Excellence for Vector-Borne Diseases. Significant opportunities for research collaboration exist with other college centers and institutes including the Beef Cattle Institute, the Midwest Institute for Comparative Stem Cell Biology, the Nanotechnology Innovation Center of Kansas State, the Institute of Computational Comparative Medicine, and the US-China Center for Animal Health, and across the university including the Terry C. Johnson Cancer Research Center, the Biosecurity Research Institute, the Gene Expression Facility, and the Biotechnology Core Facility. For more information, please consult the Department website at www.vet.k-state.edu/education/clinical-sciences/about/.

College Information:

With a rich history of tradition and innovation, Kansas State University is one of the oldest veterinary colleges in the United States to grant the DVM degree. Established in 1905, The College of Veterinary Medicine has built on the university's reputation for excellence. Academic departments within the College are Anatomy and Physiology, Clinical Sciences, and Diagnostic Medicine/Pathobiology. In addition, the Veterinary Health Center and the Kansas State
Veterinary Diagnostic Laboratory provide excellent veterinary medical education, patient care, and accurate, innovative, and timely diagnostic services. Today our graduates number more than 7,000 men and women who have earned the DVM degree.

The College of Veterinary Medicine is dedicated to scholarship through innovation and excellence in teaching, research, and service to promote animal and human health for the public good. The College has initiated a Strategic Planning process that will create the vision for where the College will be in 3 to 5 years. For more information, please consult the College website at http://www.vet.k-state.edu/StrategicPlanning/index.html. We are committed to creating an environment that is fulfilling and rewarding, being recognized for excellent communication, productive collaboration, mutual respect, diversity, integrity, and honesty.

College faculty have leadership expertise in three broad research areas: animal health infectious disease, comparative biomedical science, and food safety and security. Close proximity and working relationships with the Kansas City Animal Health Corridor companies, the K-State Olathe campus, and several federal research facilities, including the National Bio- and Agro-Defense Facility; provide important competitive advantages for College faculty. For more information, please consult the College website at www.vet.k-state.edu.

University Information:

Kansas State University is a Carnegie Research University at the High Research Activity level with an enrollment of more than 24,000 students, including more than 4,000 graduate students. The University is consistently recognized by the Princeton Review as one of the nation's best colleges and is a national leader among public universities in the total number of Rhodes, Marshall, Truman, Goldwater and Udall prestigious scholarship winners. Kansas State University is implementing an aggressive plan to become a top 50 public research university by implementing the K-State 2025 Visionary Plan. The College of Veterinary Medicine is a major component of this student-centered research university, and collaborates with a number of other Colleges on campus, including Agriculture; Architecture, Planning and Design; Arts and Sciences; Business Administration; Education; Engineering; Human Ecology; and Technology and Aviation (K-State Polytechnic). Over the last 5 years, the campus has undergone transformational growth, investing over $700 million in capital improvements to academic, student, and athletic facilities.

Manhattan, Kansas:

Manhattan, with a population of 56,000 residents, is located in northeastern Kansas approximately 100 miles west of Kansas City in the scenic Flint Hills. Situated at the junction of the Kansas and Big Blue rivers, the surrounding area offers excellent opportunities for outdoor activities such as camping, boating, hunting, fishing, hiking and biking. As a result of the University’s influence, cultural and sporting events are at a level of frequency and quality rare in cities of this size. Manhattan offers affordable housing and extremely strong elementary, middle, and high school programs. Manhattan Regional Airport is located just four miles west of Manhattan and provides direct jet airline service to both Dallas-Fort Worth and Chicago O’Hare. Manhattan offers a variety of urban amenities yet retains the best qualities of a small university town.