



# Sam Houston State University

## Position: Assistant Professor of Agribusiness Department of Agricultural Sciences

Assistant Professor, Agribusiness, tenure-track, nine-month appointment.

**Qualifications:** An earned doctorate in Agribusiness, Agricultural Economics, or closely related field is required. Evidence of actual or potential success in teaching, research, service, and collegiality is expected. Excellent written and oral communication skills in the English language are required. Must have a strong commitment to undergraduate education and interdisciplinary collaboration. All-but-dissertation candidates will be considered with evidence of successful completion by the start date.

**Responsibilities:** Serve as faculty member in the Agribusiness discipline. Seventy-five percent teaching, twenty-five percent research appointment with service activities required for promotion, merit pay increases, and tenure. Primary teaching and research responsibilities will be in the discipline of Agribusiness with an emphasis in management, sales, and policy. Teaching of some graduate and online courses is expected. In addition, as a member of an interdisciplinary team, the successful candidate will advise undergraduate and graduate students, participate in outreach conferences and activities, and work closely with the agricultural community and industry stakeholders.

**Starting Date:** September 1, 2018

**Salary:** \$62,000-65,000 (commensurate with qualifications and experience); nine months (additional summer teaching and salary highly probable).

**The Department:** As part of the Department of Agricultural Sciences, the Agribusiness program has 200+ majors and 90+ minors and offers 15 different undergraduate agribusiness courses. The Department has 25 full- and part-time faculty, approximately 1,150 majors, and offers the Bachelor of Science degree in six emphasis areas along with the Master of Science in Agriculture, Master of Agriculture in Sustainable Agriculture and Food Environment (fully online), and supports the MBA in Agribusiness degree option. The Department maintains the Agriculture Center, William R. Harrell Agricultural Engineering Technology Center, Horticulture Center, and the Gibbs Ranch. The ranch is a 1,740 acre teaching and research operation that includes functioning enterprises of commercial cattle, registered Angus and Brangus cattle, and a goat herd.

**Procedure:** Electronically (<https://shsu.peopleadmin.com/postings/19238>) submit letter of interest, curriculum vita, and State of Texas employment application. The candidate should send statements of teaching philosophy, research philosophy, and service philosophy, as well as official transcripts for all university work directly to the search committee chair. Three letters of recommendation should be sent by references directly to the search committee chair.

Dr. Art Wolfskill, Search Committee Chair, Department of Agricultural Sciences, Sam Houston State University, Box 2088, Huntsville, Texas 77341-2088. Phone: 936-294-1226; fax: 936-294-1232; email: [wolfskill@shsu.edu](mailto:wolfskill@shsu.edu).

**Closing Date:** Applications must be complete no later than **9:00 AM CDT, April 23, 2018** to be considered. Review of materials will begin immediately and continue until a suitable candidate is found. Sam Houston State University is an Equal Employment Opportunity/Affirmative Action Plan Employer and Smoke/Drug Free Workplace. All qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, creed, ancestry, marital status, citizenship, color, religion, sex, national origin, age, veteran status, disability status, sexual orientation, or gender identity. Sam Houston State University is an "at will" employer. Security sensitive positions at SHSU require background checks in accordance with Education Code 51.215.

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### The University

*Sam Houston State University, with 80 undergraduate, 50 graduate and six doctoral programs, is a member of The Texas State University System. Approximately 20,800 students and 810 full- and part-time faculty enjoy the advantages of picturesque and historic Huntsville (rated as one of the best small cities in America) and proximity to Houston, 70 miles south of campus. See the Sam Houston State University homepage at <http://www.shsu.edu/> for more information.*

### The Community

*The City of Huntsville is a beautiful small city surrounded by rolling hills, lakes and forests. Founded in 1835 by Pleasant Gray, the population today exceeds 41,000. The City of Huntsville is home of Sam Houston and quite proud to honor this colorful hero who served as president of the Republic of Texas, U.S. Senator and governor of the State of Texas. Since the city's inception, Huntsville has been considered to be the center of education and law, and offers great opportunity. See the Huntsville-Walker County Chamber of Commerce web site at [chamber.huntsville.tx.us](http://chamber.huntsville.tx.us) for more information.*