

## **Assistant or Associate Professor of Anatomic Pathology**

### **Texas Tech College of Veterinary Medicine**

Position location: Amarillo

26134BR

Veterinary Medicine

#### **Position Description**

Contributes to the university's mission through teaching, research and service, some variation by academic unit.

#### About the Department and/or College

The Texas Tech University School of Veterinary Medicine (TTU SVM) is seeking to fill a faculty position to provide instruction, scholarship, and outreach/service needs of our exciting, and innovative veterinary education program located in Amarillo, TX. Texas is a rapidly growing and prosperous state. The TTU SVM is the first veterinary medical program established in Texas in a century and focuses on serving the unique needs of rural and regional communities of Texas.

Applications are welcomed beginning October 28, 2021 (see below for instructions on how to apply).

Application packages will be reviewed semi-weekly and candidates will be invited for interviews when the review of packages indicates that an adequate pool of candidates has applied.

All faculty and staff are expected to foster the Core Values of the School. Contribution to fostering the School's values will be evaluated as part of your annual performance review.

The School and the focus of its comprehensive veterinary medical education program are founded on the following objectives:

Graduate practice-ready, competent and confident veterinarians who will serve rural and regional communities across Texas.

Provide access to affordable, high-quality veterinary medical education for Texans.

Develop a research-intensive School that enhances and complements the strengths of TTU and Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center (TTUHSC), and addresses the needs for research and expertise in veterinary medicine, food- and fiber-animal production, and the health sciences.

Provide opportunities for graduate education and research, and advanced clinical training in internships and residencies.

Support sustainability of livestock industries as they feed growing state, national, and global populations.

Improve human, animal, and ecosystem health by integrating innovative One Health activities into our educational, scholarship, and service activities.

The American Veterinary Medical Association (AVMA) Council on Education (COE) granted the TTU SVM provisional accreditation in 2021. The School enrolled its inaugural class of 64 students in August 2021 and class began 16th of August, 2021. Admissions are underway for the second class of 80 students.

The TTU SVM is adjacent the Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center (TTUHSC) regional campus in Amarillo. The state-of-the-art 260,000 square-foot of buildings support all aspects of the School and include approximately 26,000 square-foot of dedicated research laboratories. In addition, teaching laboratories and classrooms may serve as research sites when conducting scholarships. The TTUHSC also maintains a vivarium on their campus as well as other core facilities in Amarillo in addition to the numerous core facilities across the institutions that comprise the Texas Tech University System. The TTU SVM will maintain populations of domestic animals, and the region is home to large numbers of production animals and wildlife providing further opportunities for field-based research.

Amarillo is a vibrant and growing community in the Texas Panhandle. With a metropolitan statistical area population approaching 270,000, it offers attractions of a larger city while holding true to its agricultural roots (<https://www.visitamarillo.com>). Amarillo serves as a center of services for a large, multi-state area and is home to many agricultural associations such as the Texas Cattle Feeders Association and the American Quarter Horse Association

### **Major/Essential Functions**

#### **Responsibilities of the Positions**

Contribute to the TTU SVM's instruction, scholarship, and service activities. The distribution of effort toward each activity will be individualized for each faculty member and outlined in the letter of appointment.

It is expected that tenure-track faculty members will establish extramural support of their scholarship and this will include support for graduate students and opportunities for involvement of professional students. This expectation is proportional to percentage of effort assigned to scholarship in the letter of appointment.

Contribute to activities necessary for accreditation from the American Veterinary Medical Association Council on Education, other regulatory or accreditation approvals, and admit and deliver the curriculum to the students of the professional degree program.

Development and participation in the School's research enterprise and PhD program

Curricular development and related activities. Most curricular development will focus on the Clinical and Professional Skills laboratories, the pathology courses, and the clinical rotations related to pathology services.

The curricular framework has been developed based on Competency Based Veterinary Education (CBVE; see [www.AAVMC.org](http://www.AAVMC.org)), and is designed to be vertically and horizontally integrated.

Curricular development will require teamwork to effectively develop course syllabi and content relative to this integration, and to accomplish desired outcomes.

Curricular mapping of course-specific learning objectives with curricular outcomes.

Delivery of the curriculum within the professional program. This might include serving as instructor of record for various courses, contributing lectures to other courses, or participating in laboratories.

Participation in instructional delivery of Clinical Skills Laboratories.

Participation and delivery of Clinical Case Presentations courses.

Clinical service, for the purpose of veterinary student clinical instruction, may be provided through in house necropsy facilities or through specific private practice sites that serve as clinical learning centers for students. Effort may be directed towards developing the site in anticipation of instructing students in their clinical year such as expanding the clinical caseload; supporting the practice consultation services; advancing the education of veterinary practitioners; and supervision of clinical year students. The TTU SVM does not have a teaching hospital and thus clinical service will be limited as per above.

The successful candidates will report to the Associate Dean for Academic and Student Affairs, until such time that it is necessary to create departments (or department-like structures) within the School.

Participation on various School committees.

**Additional comments:**

The curriculum is grounded on general veterinary practice in rural agricultural and regional communities. A central function of subject-matter experts is to provide instruction such that graduates can competently and confidently practice veterinary medicine at a distance from referral hospitals.

Those with experience in rural and regional community practices will provide important feedback that will inform the admission process, instruction, and continuing education.

Candidates who have very strong records of scholarship supported by extramural funding and who have the proven capacity or clear potential to bring externally sponsored research to Texas Tech University are encouraged to apply. Service duties include program-building, as well as a commitment to extra-curricular activities. Service to the department, college, university, and community is expected.

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Texas Tech University

Required Qualifications

Academic degree as defined by the academic unit and as appropriate for the position held. Demonstrated record of effectiveness as a teacher, a record of peer reviewed publication and/or peer-reviewed creative activity which has contributed to the discipline or field of study, to the candidate's intellectual and artistic development, and to the quality of the academic enterprise; a record of professional service appropriate to the discipline; promise of growth in teaching and research or artistic and creative activity.

**Preferred Qualifications**

A DVM (or equivalent) is required, with training in anatomic pathology.

Candidates who have a successful track record of or show promise in future teamwork, curricular development, instruction, scholarship, and service.

Candidates boarded or board eligible in the American College of Veterinary Pathologists, or a PhD in a related field.

Candidates with experience in both large and companion animals.

Does this position work in a research laboratory?

No

Special Instructions to Applicants

Texas Tech is a Hispanic Serving Institution and has a long history of serving first-generation students. A commitment to working with diverse student populations and first-generation students is required on the cover letter.

Please upload a cover letter and complete curriculum vita that includes a list of publications and any other information reflecting qualifications and professional activities related to academic scholarship, teaching, and service to stakeholders. In the cover letter, please clearly indicate the clinical and/or professional skill discipline that aligns best with your expertise; while expertise that cross disciplinary boundaries is preferred, please select a primary discipline.

Please provide the names of three individuals who can provide an evaluation of your qualifications and can be contacted for a reference letter if needed.