



POSITION ANNOUNCEMENT
Faculty Research Assistant Pool
National Pesticide Information Center
Department of Environmental & Molecular Toxicology



Position – The National Pesticide Information Center (NPIC) invites applications for one or more full-time Faculty Research Assistant positions. These are full-time fixed-term appointments, with reappointment at the discretion of the NPIC Director.

Salary and Benefits – Full-time annual salary rate of \$33,000 - \$39,000, depending on qualifications, education, and experience. Benefit package includes options for health/dental/life insurance and retirement program.

National Pesticide Information Center – The only service of its kind in the US, NPIC's mission is to deliver objective, science-based information about a variety of pesticide-related issues to the public and professionals, with a goal of promoting informed decision-making. NPIC, a cooperative effort between OSU and the US Environmental Protection Agency, serves the US and its territories via an 800-telephone number (seven days per week), email, and its website (<http://npic.orst.edu>).

NPIC provides its staff with many opportunities for professional development, including: Public service experience; coordination of projects; working in a dynamic learning atmosphere; and continuing education (e.g., taking occasional classes at OSU at reduced tuition rates - some restrictions apply).

Responsibilities and Duties – Provide objective, science-based information on a variety of pesticide-related topics, including: pesticide chemistry, toxicology, and environmental fate, to the public and professionals; participate in the development of fact sheets that promote a broader understanding of issues related to pesticide use and their potential impact on human health and the environment; respond to telephone inquiries and help maintain a pesticide inquiry database; develop and maintain knowledge of pesticides and pesticide-related issues; contribute to other areas as needed for NPIC to fulfill its mission.

Qualifications – Position requires a minimum of a B.S. degree in toxicology, environmental chemistry, biotechnology, agricultural sciences, public health, or closely related area (degree must include coursework in biochemistry, physiology, or equivalent). Also required are knowledge and experience in one or more of the following - Pesticide toxicology, environmental chemistry, regulations, and use practices; ability to provide unbiased information on pesticide issues to both the public and professionals.

Candidates also will be judged on their knowledge, ability, and experience in these areas: Strongly preferred - Dealing with the public on controversial issues, including risk communication and crisis management; Demonstrated writing ability; effective use of computers in word processing; database management. Highly desirable - Fluent in Spanish. Position requires a demonstrable commitment to promoting and enhancing diversity.

University & Community – OSU is one of only two American universities to hold the Land Grant, Sea Grant, Sun Grant, and Space Grant designation and is a Carnegie Doctoral/Research-Extensive university. OSU is located in Corvallis, a community of 53,000 people situated in the Willamette Valley between Portland and Eugene. Ocean beaches, lakes, rivers, forests, high desert, the rugged Cascade and Coastal Ranges, and the urban amenities of the Portland metropolitan area are all within a 100-mile drive of Corvallis.

Application –

To apply, visit the the OSU Online Application System available via www.oregonstate.edu/jobs; click on "Search OSU jobs".

- 1) Apply to the NPIC position (# 0001458) and
- 2) Electronically submit the following materials with your online application:
 - a. A resume including the names, addresses and telephone numbers of three references.
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Review of applications begins as positions become available.

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