



# California State University, Fresno

College of Agricultural Sciences and Technology

Department of Viticulture and Enology

Vacancy # 09TAG030

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## DEPARTMENT OF VITICULTURE AND ENOLOGY

### ASSOCIATE/PROFESSOR/CHAIR AND DIRECTOR OF VITICULTURE AND ENOLOGY RESEARCH CENTER

- Available for the Academic Year: 2009/2010.
- Fresno State has been designated to the Community Engagement Classification by The Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching.
- Salary placement depends upon academic preparation and professional experience.
- Instructional Level: Undergraduate/Graduate.

**Commitment to Equal Employment Opportunity and Diversity:** California State University, Fresno is an Affirmative Action/Equal Employment Opportunity Employer. The university is proud of its culturally diverse faculty, staff, and students, and strongly encourages applications from minorities, women, individuals with disabilities, covered veterans, and those who are interested in or experienced with community engagement.

**Specific Position Characteristics:** 12-month assignment: Chair of the Department of Viticulture and Enology and Director of Viticulture and Enology Research Center (VERC). The successful candidate will be granted tenure in the department. The appointment typically will be 25% administrative, at least 55% research and outreach, and approximately 20% teaching. Department Chairs serve at the pleasure of the President.

Professionalism, collegiality, and integrity are essential traits for this position. The successful candidate will be expected to provide leadership of the Department and VERC for the full range of responsibilities necessary to administer, develop, and operate programs including but not limited to: (1) planning and administering the academic and research programs, including the enhancement of instruction and building research capacity; (2) develop strong and effective liaisons with all branches of the viticulture and enology industries of California's San Joaquin Valley; (3) formulating and implementing strategic plans and budgets through consultations with administrators, faculty, staff and industry; and (4) effectively representing the Department and VERC. Additional responsibilities will include service on appropriate committees; student academic advising; serving on graduate theses committees; working with student organizations; participation in service at all levels of the university; and engaging in community service related to professional responsibilities. Specific assignments will depend on department needs. Outcomes assessment and service learning are important components of the university curriculum. The successful candidate will be expected to communicate effectively and work cooperatively with faculty.

**Qualifications - Academic Preparation:** An earned doctorate (Ph.D.) from an accredited institution; disciplines may include but are not limited to botany, biochemistry, plant physiology, chemistry, horticulture, microbiology, food science, and demonstrated experience in viticulture and/or enology. Candidates having experience and familiarity with California grape and wine industries are preferred. Appointment at the rank of Professor will require a record of outstanding teaching, scholarly work, and/or professional activities.

**Qualifications - Teaching or Other Professional Experience:** Candidates are required to have 6-12 years of productive experience in teaching, research and other scholarly/professional activities at the university level. For exceptional candidates this experience period may be reduced. Evidence of ability to plan, budget, and manage an academic department in a consultative and collegial style is required. The ability to use technology to enhance instruction is preferred. The successful candidate must have the ability to work effectively with faculty, staff, and students from diverse ethnic, cultural, and socioeconomic backgrounds.

**Application:** Form is available online at [www.csufresno.edu/aps/vacancy/sc1.pdf](http://www.csufresno.edu/aps/vacancy/sc1.pdf). Send completed application, curriculum vitae, and three current letters of reference (dated within the last 12 months) to:

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**Open Until Filled:** To ensure the fullest consideration of their applications, applicants are encouraged to have all application materials on file by March 15, 2009.

#### General Information:

California State University, Fresno is one of 23 campuses in the California State University System. The University's mission is to offer high quality educational opportunities to qualified students at the bachelor's and master's levels, and in certain applied disciplines at the doctoral level. The current enrollment is approximately 20,000 students with diverse and culturally rich backgrounds. The University serves the San Joaquin Valley while maintaining deep involvement with the state, nation, and world. California State University, Fresno promotes student learning and community engagement through faculty scholarship and service learning opportunities in collaboration with community organizations, education, industry, business, and government. The university was one of the first US Colleges and Universities to be selected by The Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching for its new Community Engagement Classification.

Metropolitan Fresno, with a multi-ethnic population of over 600,000, is located in the heart of the San Joaquin Valley on the western edge of the Sierra Nevada Mountain Range. The campus is within easy driving distance of San Francisco, Los Angeles, Yosemite, Kings Canyon and Sequoia National Parks, the Monterey Peninsula, Lake Tahoe, beaches, sailing, lakes, and numerous ski resorts. Fresno boasts one of the most reasonable housing markets in California and offers a wide array of locally grown fruits and produce.