



## EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

Faculty Research Assistant  
National Pesticide Information Center  
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Corvallis, Oregon 97331



Would you like to live and work in a great environment? Like the outdoors? If so, the following opportunity at Oregon State University may interest you. OSU is located in Corvallis, a community of 50,000 people situated in the beautiful Willamette Valley between Portland and Eugene. Ocean beaches, lakes, rivers, forests, high desert, skiing, fishing, and the rugged Cascade and Coast Ranges are all within a short drive of Corvallis. Corvallis is also technologically oriented, with a number of high technology companies (e.g., HP and other electronics companies, biotechnology, etc.).

Do you want to be part of something unique and public service-oriented? NPIC (National Pesticide Information Center) is the only service of its kind in the US - NPIC has as its mission the delivery of 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. NPIC provides service via an 800-telephone number (seven days per week), email, and the World Wide Web (<http://npic.orst.edu>).

NPIC also provides its staff with many opportunities for professional and self-development, including: Public service experience; Coordination of projects; Working in a dynamic learning atmosphere; and Continuing education (e.g., taking occasional classes at OSU).

Position - This announcement is designed to recruit qualified applicants to meet NPIC staffing needs as positions become available. These positions are full- and/or part-time, 12 month, fixed term appointments with reappointment at the discretion of the supervisor. For additional information about NPIC, access the NPIC website at <http://npic.orst.edu>.

Responsibilities and Duties – These individuals will: 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 incident database; Develop and maintain knowledge of pesticides and pesticide-related issues.

Qualifications – Position requires a minimum of a B.S. degree, with an M.S. strongly preferred, in toxicology, environmental chemistry, biotechnology, agricultural sciences, public health, or closely related area. 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 and experience in these areas: Strongly preferred - Ability and experience in dealing with the public on controversial issues including risk communication and crisis management; Demonstrated writing ability; Effective use of computers in word processing, and database management. Highly desirable - Fluent in Spanish. Position requires a demonstrable commitment to promoting and enhancing diversity.

Application – Send a letter of application, curriculum vita, and names and addresses of three references, to:

Dr. Terry L. Miller, Director  
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**Review of applications begins as positions become available.**