The University of Alaska Fairbanks is seeking a Director for its Fishery Industrial Technology Center (FITC) based in Kodiak, Alaska. The mission of FITC is to increase the social and economic value and sustainability of the Alaska’s seafood industry through academic programs, basic and applied research and development, and public service. The Director will be expected to continue to develop partnerships with the Alaska seafood industry with the advice of the seven-member FITC Policy Council (http://www.sfos.uaf.edu/fitc/about/council/index.html), establish a graduate program in Seafood Science and Technology, and expand research efforts.

The Director will head and lead development of a graduate program related to the utilization of seafood in the School of Fisheries and Ocean Sciences (SFOS) at the University of Alaska Fairbanks (UAF). The Director will seek to increase tenure-track faculty positions that presently consist of three in aquatic food science (chemistry, engineering and microbiology), one fisheries oceanographer, one marine biologist and three Marine Advisory Program Agents specializing in marine mammals, marketing of natural resources and seafood quality. The Director will supervise curriculum development, instruction, and advising for a growing student body. Functioning as a member of the faculty, she or he will teach courses, advise graduate students, participate in public service, and conduct funded research.

The FITC Director administers a 20,000 ft² facility which includes fully equipped facilities for research and development such as a pilot-scale seafood processing plant and laboratories for chemistry, engineering, fishery oceanography/marine ecology (including seawater labs for live fish), microbiology and sensory evaluation. The FITC supports fisheries, marine science and marine extension faculty. Graduate students and post-doctorates are located at FITC to conduct fisheries and marine research. The FITC is connected with other facilities of SFOS and UAF by high bandwidth fiber optics, videoconference and web-based teaching facilities.

The Director is a member of the Executive Council of SFOS whose faculty of 55 includes oceanographers, marine biologists, fisheries scientists and marine extension agents. The School’s faculty is located across the state primarily in Fairbanks, Juneau, Kodiak, Seward, and Anchorage, with marine extension faculty located in Petersburg, Cordova, Homer, Dillingham and Bethel as well as at the FITC. More information is available on our website at www.sfos.uaf.edu.

Kodiak, Alaska is one of the nation’s leading fishing ports where approximately 100,000 metric tons of groundfish, salmon and crab are landed and processed each year (www.kodiak.org and www.kodiakisland.org). The ancient and modern home of Alutiiq people and the site of the early 19th century capital of Russian America, Kodiak is the modern home of a large US Coast Guard operations base and the home port of much of the Alaska fishing fleet. Kodiak offers an excellent public school system, health care, and a wide range of opportunities for outdoor and indoor recreation, and the performing arts. Kodiak is connected by frequent air service from Anchorage, and by the Alaska Marine Highway System.

Qualified applicants must possess a Ph.D. in food science or related field from an accredited university, must be proficient in English, have university-level teaching ability, and must have a strong research and publication record appropriate to their experience and date of degree. Preference will be given to candidates with previous administrative experience.

To apply, please go to https://www.uakjobs.com and click on posting #0052943. You will be asked to attach a statement of interest, a CV, and contact information for four references. If you need application assistance, please contact UAF Human Resources at 907-474-7700. For any other questions about the position please contact Dr. William Smoker, Search Committee Chair, at 907-796-6444. Review of applications will begin March 19, 2007, and continue until the position is filled.

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