**Professor in one of the Agricultural Sciences**

**College/Division**  
College of Sciences and Engineering

**School/Section**  
Tasmanian Institute of Agriculture

**Location**  
Launceston

**Classification**  
Level E

**Reporting line**  
Reports to Director, Tasmanian Institute of Agriculture

**Position Summary**

The University of Tasmania is building a vision of a place-based University with a mission to enhance the intellectual, economic, social and culture future of Tasmania, and from Tasmania, contribute to the world in areas of distinctive advantage. The University recognises that achieving this vision is dependent on the people we employ as well as creating a people-centred University that is values-based, relational, diverse, and development-focused.

We are seeking to appoint a Professor in a discipline relevant to agriculture, such as entomology plant pathology, animal science, soil science, microbiology, horticulture, agronomy and agribusiness. The role will be based in the [Tasmanian Institute of Agriculture](#), part of [The College of Sciences and Engineering](#).

TIA delivers premier research, development, extension and education programs with strong links to key stakeholders in industry through its Joint Venture with the Tasmanian Government. TIA contributes to the development of prosperous, innovative and sustainable rural industries and communities through impact-focused education, research, development and extension initiatives.

This role will contribute to the strategic direction of TIA and provide leadership in Launceston as part of TIA transitioning to headquarter in the North of Tasmania. The incumbent will be required to deliver to part of our broad range of curriculum in agricultural science, research and research training, and in particular the sustainable management of people and resources.

This position will play a key role in determining and managing the learning and teaching requirements through collaborative teaching initiatives, learning and teaching performance, student engagement and retention for the Launceston campus. The position will be responsible for fostering academic excellence, mentoring of junior staff and promote the integration of teaching and research activities, and to advance the research, industry development and educational mandate of TIA. The person appointed will contribute to shaping TIA’s educational programs, driving research initiatives, and ensuring the overall success of the Institute.

**We are an inclusive workplace committed to ‘working from the strength that diversity brings’ reflected in our Statement of Values. We are dedicated to attracting, retaining and developing our people and are committed to inclusive principles. We celebrate the range of diverse assets that gender identity, ethnicity, sexual orientation, disability, age and life course bring. Applications are encouraged from all sectors of the community. Tell us how we can make this job work for you.**
What You’ll Do

- Make a very substantial and sustained contribution to the University in achieving its strategic objectives and fulfilling its operational responsibilities.
- Undertake high-quality research of internationally leading standing, secure external competitive and other funding, publish research findings and successfully supervise research higher degree students to completion, in order to meet and regularly exceed the University’s research performance expectations for Level E.
- Undertake scholarly undergraduate and postgraduate coursework teaching of a leading quality and provide leadership in key areas of learning and teaching in the discipline.
- Lead the TIA academics in Launceston by building teams and fostering excellence in learning and teaching, delivering internationally leading research and supporting the career development of more junior staff.
- Provide leadership in the development and maintenance of productive and effective links inside the University and locally, nationally and internationally with the discipline, relevant interdisciplinary domains, profession, industry and/or wider community.
- Undertake other duties as assigned by the supervisor.

What We’re Looking For (success criteria)

- A PhD in a relevant field of the Agricultural Sciences.
- A substantial record in, and continuing commitment to, research that has achieved international recognition and made innovative, and sustained contributions to one of the disciplines of Agricultural Science, demonstrated by a very strong record of high-quality publications, presentations at conferences and success in securing extensive external competitive and other funding.
- A very substantial record of successful research higher degree student supervision and completions.
- Extensive experience and demonstrated achievement in University-level learning and teaching with capacity to deliver to strategic initiatives.
- Proven ability as an academic leader, with a record in team building and creating effective working relationships, capacity to foster excellence in research and teaching, and capacity to manage, nurture and facilitate career development of staff.
- Extensive demonstration of academic leadership which fosters culture that is aligned with the UTAS values and behaviours.
- An extensive demonstrated capacity to build and maintain effective and productive links locally, nationally and internationally with the discipline, profession, industry (where relevant) and wider community.
- Demonstrated leadership in workplace health and safety to ensure wellbeing for staff, students and stakeholders.

Other position requirements

- Regular intrastate/ interstate/ travel.
- Regular travel may be between campus is required to deliver teaching and learning outcomes.
- Willingness to undertake a medical assessment based on meeting the inherent position requirements.
The University of Tasmania is an institution with an enduring commitment to our state and community, and a strong global outlook. We are committed to enhancing the intellectual, economic, social and cultural future of Tasmania. Our Strategic Direction strongly reflects the University community's voice that our University must be place based but globally connected as well as regionally networked and designed to deliver quality access to higher education for the whole State.

We believe that from our unique position here in Tasmania we can impact the world through the contributions of our staff, students and graduates. We recognise that achieving this vision is dependent on the people we employ, as well as creating a university that is values-based, relational, diverse, and development-focused.

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The intention of this position description is to highlight the most important aspects, rather than to limit the scope or accountabilities of this role. Duties above may be altered in accordance with the changing requirements of the position.