The Faculty of Agriculture invites applications for a full-time (1.0 FTE) appointment as Department Chair, and tenured Associate Professor or Full Professor (dependent upon qualifications and expertise). The preferred starting date is June 1, 2018. The Department Chair position is for an initial term of 5 years, with potential for a second term. The Department is conducting an external search for a dynamic leader with a well-established research program, and strategic vision to enhance and manage the academic affairs of a vibrant Department. The successful applicant will lead in developing a strategic plan for the department, which must align with strategic plans of the larger University and at the Faculty of Agriculture.

The Department of Business and Social Sciences is one of four departments in the Faculty of Agriculture. The Department has nationally recognized unique strengths in education and research in agribusiness, and agricultural and applied economics. The expertise of faculty members of the Department is spread across three academic sub-areas, namely: Agricultural Business; Agricultural Economics; and a third area capturing Humanities and Social Sciences. The Department offers programs at the diploma, undergraduate, and graduate levels, as well as various “service” courses to support other programs offered at the Dalhousie Agricultural Campus. Academic programs in the Department combine and integrate core disciplines in agricultural sciences with business management, economics and innovation. Thus, demonstrated ability to work in a collegial and interdisciplinary environment is preferred. Information about the faculty of agriculture and its programs may be found at: http://www.dal.ca/faculty/agriculture.html.

Responsibilities: The Department Chair will provide visionary leadership to help accomplish mandates in effective teaching and learning, research, and service/outreach. The Chair will provide a clear vision for the department, with ability to recognize and act on opportunities, and develop innovative and creative plans to make effective and efficient use of both human and financial resources. The Chair will also be expected to teach at a reduced teaching load.

Qualifications: Applicants must: i) have a Ph.D. in Agricultural Business, Agricultural Economics, or a relevant social sciences field with expertise in AgriFood studies; ii) be a tenured faculty member at the Associate Professor or Full Professor level; and iii) show evidence of efficient human resource and financial management. Applicants outside academia with equivalent qualifications (which must include an active and relevant research program) and eligibility for a tenured appointment are encouraged to apply. In addition, applicants must have demonstrated university teaching experience. Applicants must also have evidence of collaboration and service/outreach with agricultural industry partners.

A complete application must consist of: i) a cover letter; ii) current curriculum vitae (including a list of publications); iii) a statement of academic leadership philosophy; and iv) a summary of teaching evaluations for a representative sample of courses taught. Applicants must also submit a completed Self-Identification Questionnaire (available at: www.dal.ca/becounted/selfid) to Dr. Emmanuel Yiridoe (fac.bss@dal.ca), Chair of Search Committee, Department of Business and Social Sciences, Dalhousie University, P.O. Box 550, Truro, Nova Scotia, Canada, B2N 5E3. Application packages must be submitted in electronic format only, in confidence to fac.bss@dal.ca. Review and screening of applications will begin on December 1, 2017, and continue until the position is filled.

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All qualified candidates are encouraged to apply; however, Canadians and permanent residents will be given priority. Dalhousie University is committed to fostering a collegial culture grounded in diversity and inclusiveness. The University encourages applications from Aboriginal people, persons with a disability, racially visible persons, women, persons of minority sexual orientations and gender identities, and all candidates who would contribute to the diversity of our community.