FACULTY SPECIALIST
Department of Geographical Sciences
University of Maryland

The Department of Geographical Sciences at the University of Maryland (UMD) is a leader in integrated research on the coupled human and physical dimensions of global change, remote sensing, and Geospatial Information Science. The Department invites applications for a Faculty Specialist position. Salary and benefits are highly competitive, commensurate with qualifications and experience. **A bachelor's degree in geographical sciences, environmental science, agronomy, food security, agricultural economics, or a related field is required. Preference will be given to candidates with master's degree and/or several years of experience.**

The Department is seeking a highly self-motivated Professional Track Faculty Specialist with good communication and organizational skills who enjoys working in a team environment. Applicants should have an interest in agriculture and food security; capable of both independent research and working with a dynamic research team from various backgrounds; open to a flexible work schedule with the ability to work on a quick deadline. Applicants should have excellent writing skills with the ability to summarize inputs from a wide range of information sources into concise and summarized text targeted for a broad audience.

The primary responsibility of this position is to support the GEOGLAM Crop Monitors (www.cropmonitor.org), particularly the Crop Monitor for Early Warning, an operational program monitoring and reporting global cropland conditions in countries at risk of food insecurity in partnership with international agencies/organizations involved with food security and agricultural monitoring. Roles will include drafting text for monthly food security bulletins and special reports covering current events impacting agriculture in collaboration with food security analysts from partner agencies; researching current agricultural conditions and food security reports; researching food security issues and policy; compiling and editing bulletins and reports.

Applications should include a personal statement of background and experience relevant to the position, including research, a signed, dated Curriculum Vitae, several writing samples, and the names and addresses (including e-mail & phone numbers) of 3-5 references.

For best consideration applications should be submitted no later than October 11th, but the search will continue until a suitable candidate is appointed. For questions about the position, please contact **Christina Justice, Senior Faculty Specialist, justicec@umd.edu**. **To Apply:** https://ejobs.umd.edu/postings/72482 . **Applications from women and minorities are particularly sought. The University of Maryland is an Equal Opportunity Affirmative Action Employer.**

Further information on this position and on academic and research programs of the Department may be obtained from the address above and can be found at http://www.geog.umd.edu.