

**Associate Professor/Professor and Program Chair**  
**Hospitality Management**  
**College of Health and Human Sciences**  
**Kansas State University**

Direct link to apply:

<https://careers.k-state.edu/jobs/associate-professor-and-program-chair-hospitality-management-manhattan-kansas-united-states>

The School of Consumer Sciences, within the College of Health and Human Sciences, is currently seeking a **12-month Associate Professor or Professor** to serve as **Program Chair in Hospitality Management**. We seek a dynamic and experienced individual to lead the Hospitality Management Program on both the Manhattan and Olathe campuses. This position will have a vital leadership role and be integral to the program's daily oversight and operations, including regular updates to school leadership. Additionally, this person will be tasked with deepening industry engagement and support of the program.

Teaching expectations will include credit and/or non-credit courses delivered at a level appropriate for undergraduate, graduate, and/or professional learners. This position will be expected to conduct high-quality independent and collaborative research while actively and successfully seeking extramural funding through federal agencies, private foundations, and industry collaborations.

The successful candidate must have a passion for hospitality management with the ability to engage and inspire learners while engaging with local, regional, and national

businesses. Individuals with demonstrated experience in collaborating broadly and working as a team member across disciplines are particularly desired, with the highest consideration for candidates with managerial and/or executive experience in the hospitality industry. This position will report to the school's Associate Director.

This 12-month position at the rank of associate professor or professor has a **preferred starting date of July 2025**, with a competitive salary commensurate with qualifications and experience.

### About Us

**The Hospitality Management Program**, accredited by ACPHA, serves approximately 100 students at both the Manhattan and Olathe campuses. Six full-time faculty members staff the department and leverage strong ties with industry and community partners to provide practical learning experiences. Academic programs include advanced degrees (MS and Ph.D.) in Hospitality Administration and undergraduate degrees (BS and minors) in Hospitality Management.

**The College of Health and Human Sciences** inspires and prepares passionate and caring individuals for a meaningful life and a career that promotes human well-being in the areas of business, design, teacher education, human behavior, and health sciences. Home to 16 undergraduate and 22 graduate degree programs housed in the Schools of Consumer Sciences, Health Sciences, and Human Sciences, we provide students with the education and skills needed to make an impact in the lives of individuals, families, and communities.

### Worksite Option

This position is **on-site**.

## What You'll Need to Succeed

### Minimum Qualifications:

- Earned Ph.D. in hospitality management or closely related field
- Strong record of distinguished academic achievement that merits appointment as a tenured associate professor or professor, with evidence of professional distinction and national or international recognition
- Experience with programmatic accreditation, with ACPHA accreditation experience preferred
- Demonstrated excellence in teaching and mentoring at the undergraduate and graduate levels
- Demonstrated success in building collaborative engagement with industry partners with support student and program success
- Demonstrated success leading, collaborating, and building growth-minded coalitions with a range of individuals and stakeholders
- Strong interpersonal, oral, and written communication skills
- Proven ability to exercise sound judgment, maintain discretion, and handle sensitive information and/or situations with confidentiality

### Preferred Qualifications:

- Significant managerial and/or executive experience in hospitality or event management, with a demonstrated track record of success
- Evidence of innovations in teaching and learning through different course delivery modalities and technologies
- Evidence of developing curriculum, including assessing course outcomes and overall program impact
- Proven track record of successful grant writing and securing research funding

### Other Requirements:

- Applicants must be currently authorized to work in the United States at the time of employment

**How to Apply** Please submit the following documents:

1. Cover Letter
2. Curriculum vitae (CV)
3. Statement of teaching philosophy

4. Statement of research interests
5. Contact information for three professional references

Inquiries about the position should be directed to the search committee chair, Dr. Nick Wallace, at [nwallac@ksu.edu](mailto:nwallac@ksu.edu) with the subject line: HM Program Chair Search.

### **Screening of Applications Begins**

Immediately and continues until the position is filled.

### **Why Join Us:**

Kansas State University offers a supportive and inclusive community, dedicated to your professional growth. While specific benefits may vary by position, many roles come with comprehensive packages that support your well-being and work-life balance, including health and life insurance, retirement plans, and generous paid time off. To learn more about benefits that are available for various positions, visit our [benefits overview page](#).

### **We Support Diversity and Inclusion:**

Kansas State University embraces diversity and inclusion. The university actively seeks individuals who foster a collegial environment and cooperative interactions with coworkers, students, and others. The University is dedicated to promoting the [Principles of Community](#).

### **Work Authorization:**

Applicants must be currently authorized to work in the United States at the time of employment.

### **Equal Employment Opportunity:**

Kansas State University is an Equal Opportunity Employer. All applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, religion, sex, sexual

orientation, gender, gender identity, age, national origin, disability or status as a protected veteran.