



The University of Georgia

College of Agricultural & Environmental Sciences
Department of Plant Pathology

Assistant Professor: Plant Nematode Management

The Department of Plant Pathology in the College of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences at the University of Georgia (UGA) seeks an Assistant Professor in the area of Plant Nematology with primary responsibility for nematode biology and management in vegetable crops. This is a 12-month tenure-track position (60% extension and 40% research) available January 1, 2017. The position will be housed at the UGA Coastal Plain Experiment Station in Tifton, GA (<http://www.caes.uga.edu/campus/tifton/>) located in the heart of Georgia's \$1 billion/year vegetable industry.

The successful candidate will develop a vigorous, innovative, nationally recognized, and competitively funded extension education and research program with the priority to mitigate diseases caused by plant-parasitic nematodes on vegetables; in addition, significant opportunities exist for interdisciplinary collaborative research and extension on management of nematodes impacting field crop production in Georgia. The incumbent is expected to work as part of the UGA Vegetable Team and utilize both traditional and emerging extension outreach tools to facilitate technology transfer and teach extension agents and producers on nematode management practices. There is an expectation of excellence in grantsmanship, timely communication of research findings via peer-reviewed journal articles, and active participation in training of graduate students.

The candidate must have a Ph.D. in Plant Pathology, Nematology, or a closely related area. The incumbent will be a member of the UGA College of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences Plant Pathology faculty under the direction of the Department Head. Salary commensurate with qualifications and experience.

Tifton is a friendly city of about 20,000 located along I-75 in south-central Georgia ca. 70 miles from the Georgia-Florida state line. The city is situated in the heart of one of the leading and most dynamic agricultural areas of the Southeast. UGA's Tifton Campus is home to approximately 85 UGA faculty and USDA-ARS scientists plus associated graduate students and support staff conducting innovative and team-based research and extension to improve production agriculture in Georgia, the nation, and the world.

For an application to be fully considered, the applicant should send electronically a single PDF file that includes: i) cover letter addressing the candidate's experience relative to the responsibilities of the position, ii) curriculum vitae, iii) graduate-level academic transcripts, iv) statement of extension and research interests (not to exceed 3 pages), and v) names and contact information of four professional references.

Inquiries and application materials should be sent electronically to the search committee chair, Dr. Katherine L. Stevenson (ks@uga.edu), UGA Tifton Campus, Department of Plant Pathology, 115 Coastal Way, Tifton, GA 31794. Applications received by **September 16, 2016** are assured full consideration. However, applications will be accepted until the position is filled.

UGA is an EEO/AA/Vet/Disability Institution. As such, we are especially interested in candidates who can contribute to the diversity and excellence of the academic community. We not only strongly encourage women, minorities and other diverse candidates to consider applying for this position, but we also maintain that all candidates should share our commitment to diversity and inclusion. All qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, religion, sex, national origin, disability, gender identity, sexual orientation or protected veteran status.

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