



SEPTEMBER 2019 PLP BULLETIN

From the Chair's Desk

A very warm welcome to our new graduate students that have arrived for the Fall 2019 semester. My door is always open if you would like to stop by. Jeff Jones, Jessica Ulloa, Treva Damron, Karri Bishop and I are here to help in any way that we can.

- *Dr. Loria*

Confirmed September Seminars – Complete list coming soon

****All to be held at 4:05 p.m. in 2318 - Fifield Hall****

September 3 *Yousong Ding, Medicinal Chemistry Department, University of Florida*

Discovery and production of bioactive microbial natural products and their analogs.

September 10 *Juliana Baggio, Plant Pathology, GCREC/University of Florida*

Understanding and managing strawberry pathogens: from nursery to production fields.



Recognition and Announcements



Congratulations to **Svetlana Folimonova, Natalia Peres and Megan Dewdney** who have been awarded a UF/IFAS University Term Professorship. These awards are to recognize and reward faculty achievements in their areas of assignment and promote continued excellence.

Congratulations to **Rodrigo Onofre** and **James Fulton**! They were each awarded the A.S. Herlong, Sr. Scholarship Fund for the 2019-2020 academic year from CALS in the amount of \$2,000.00.

Congratulations to **Kelle Britt**! She was awarded the Florida Fertilizer and Agrichemical Association Scholarship for the 2019-2020 academic year from CALS in the amount of \$2,000.00.

Congratulations to **Andre Bueno Gama**! He was awarded the William C. and Bertha M. Cornett Fellowship for the 2019-2020 academic year from CALS in the amount of \$1,500.00.

In total, CALS awarded \$592,228 in scholarships and fellowships to 349 undergraduate students and 71 graduate students for 2019-2020.



Way to Go!!

Erica Goss received the CALS Innovation in Teaching Award. This award recognizes innovative teaching practices through the eyes of students; students nominate the faculty member for this award. Nomination materials address innovation, excellence, and effectiveness in teaching.



UF Scientist: Florida Crop Surveillance Network Offers State-Level Example of Proposed Global System (mentioned is Dr. Karen Garrett) see link below to find out more -
[http://blogs.ifas.ufl.edu/news/2019/07/09/global-crop-surveillance-network/?ct=t\(June IFAS Matters 6 1 2016 COPY 01\)](http://blogs.ifas.ufl.edu/news/2019/07/09/global-crop-surveillance-network/?ct=t(June IFAS Matters 6 1 2016 COPY 01))

UF EMPLOYEE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

NO-COST, CONFIDENTIAL SOLUTIONS TO LIFE'S CHALLENGES

CONTACT US...ANYTIME, ANYWHERE

The University of Florida is introducing an expanded Employee Assistance Program (EAP) to provide our UF employees in Gainesville, throughout Florida and worldwide, with improved access to mental health counselors as well as enhanced work life, financial and legal resources and services. These expanded offerings reflect the University of Florida's care and commitment to ensuring our growing number of employees and their families are supported, regardless of where they work.

Your UF Employee Assistance Program offers someone to talk to and resources to consult whenever and wherever you need them. All UF faculty, staff, graduate assistants, non-student OPS employees, house staff/residents, and postdoc associates as well as their household members are eligible to receive services.

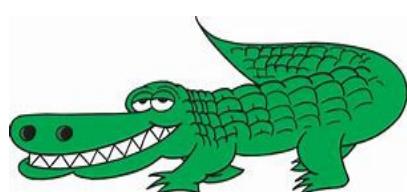
To learn more about the expanded UF EAP, please visit <http://eap.ufl.edu>. If you have questions, please contact UFHR Communications and Work life at (352) 392-2477 or eap-help@ufl.edu.



CALS TailGATOR 2019

Sept. 28, 3 hours prior to kickoff, Stephen C. O'Connell Center
RSVP at <http://tailgator2019.eventbrite.com> or learn more at www.cals.ufl.edu/tailgator

CALS annual BBQ and tailgate provides an opportunity for departments, majors and student organizations to connect with their alumni and students. Pet an alligator, arthropod and baby pig; make butter; get your face painted; or play a game of cornhole. Meal tickets are available for \$12.50 per person (children 6 and under are free). A limited number of tickets will be available for \$15.00 at the door. Registration is free for current CALS students. Lunch includes BBQ ribs and chicken, green beans, loaded potato casserole, dinner rolls, iced tea, and banana pudding.





Positions in Plant Pathology

Current job listings can now be found via the JOBS button on the front page of our website.
<http://plantpath.ifas.ufl.edu/job-postings>

Recent listings below -

Auburn University is seeking an Assistant Professor in plant virology for the Dept. of Entomology & Plant Pathology. Additional information is available at this link- <https://aufacultypositions.peopleadmin.com/postings/3724>

Sunny Liao's lab is recruiting for 2 PhD students, 1 Biologist and a Professor scientist. If interested, apply here - <https://sunnymicrobiome.weebly.com/job-advertisement>



Upcoming Holidays and Events

September 2

Labor Day Holiday – UF Closed

September 13

Coffee Break **Hosted by Jones, Smith, Gabriel**

September 13

NEW STUDENT Lab Safety & Biowaste Disposal Training, 3-4 pm (Rm 2502 Fifield Hall)

September 16

PLP Faculty Meeting

September 20

PLP Annual Hazardous Waste Training ***Registration Required*** **Contact: Yurui Xie**

September 28

CALS TailGATOR (3 hours prior to kickoff) Stephen C. O'Connell Center

October 4

UF Homecoming – UF Closed

October 5

Art, Garden & Farm Fall Family Festival – 155 Research Rd. Quincy FL 32351

October 11

Coffee Break **Hosted by Harmon (x2), PLP Admin, Spakes-Richter**

October 26

One Night in the Tropics (TREC) – at Coral Gables Country Club



Greenhouse Reminders

For all new personnel and annually for all others, the Worker Protection Standard (WPS) video **must be** viewed **BEFORE** gaining access to any greenhouse. **Please contact Mike Stilwell if you are uncertain of when your renewal is due.**



Wednesdays are **“Spray Days”**. If special arrangements are needed, your P.I. must send your request via e-mail to mstilwel@ufl.edu by 4:30 p.m. Tuesday.



Biohazard Waste – Environmental Health &Safety (EH&S) Protocol



- **Autoclave Bags – please follow ALL steps below**
 - Use only autoclave bags that are rated for at least 132* Celsius for plant material and soil
 - DO NOT overfill
 - Please secure bag with the twist ties provided, DO NOT use autoclave tape to secure bag or tie in knots!
 - Please place a piece of 3-4-inch autoclave tape on a flat surface of the bag in a place that is easy to see
 - DO NOT include items that will puncture bags
 - DO NOT leave bags on the floor. This will result in citation from EH & S
 - Use a permanent marker to identify each bag with name of principal investigator and lab room number

If you have questions, or need assistance, call Mike Stilwell at (352) 392-4478.