



FACULTY POSITION ANNOUNCEMENT

Title: Assistant Professor and Extension Specialist in Soybean and Small Grains, 75% Extension, 25% Research

Location: Department of Horticulture and Crop Science, College of Food, Agricultural, and Environmental Sciences, The Ohio State University, Columbus, Ohio

Position

Description: This is a full-time, 12-month, tenure-track position in the Department of Horticulture & Crop Science. Specific expectations and responsibilities include, but are not limited to:

- Establish a nationally recognized extension and research program focused on soybean and wheat production within sustainable cropping systems. The specialist will provide statewide, regional, and national leadership that supports and strengthens the work of the Ohio State Univ. Extension and Development's Agronomic Crops Team (<http://agcrops.osu.edu>) in developing and disseminating information and technologies aimed at improving agronomic crop production systems.
- Develop and deliver research-based extension programs to crop producers, industry representatives, and producer organizations including but not limited to the Ohio Soybean Council, Ohio Wheat Growers Association, and Ohio Small Grains Marketing Program. The successful candidate will supervise the Ohio Soybean and Wheat Performance Testing Programs (<http://www.ag.ohio-state.edu/~perf/>).
- Develop an externally funded research program in areas may include but are not limited to: resource-efficient and environmentally compatible cropping systems, crop stress management, cropping system response to climate change, nutrient and water use efficiency, evaluation of transgenic traits, seed treatments, grain quality and use, and production practices for emerging food-grade uses and bio-based industries. The successful candidate is expected to advise graduate students and publish in refereed journals.
- Collaborate with other University faculty, government agencies, non-government organizations, and citizen groups to advance the land grant mission of the University.
- Serve the University and professional communities through appropriate leadership and service activities.

Qualifications: Earned Ph.D. in Crop Science, Agronomy, Plant Sciences, Weed Science, Crop Physiology, Crop Ecology, Crop Modeling or related field is required. Effective oral and written communication skills are essential and experience in outreach education/training and applied research is highly desirable.

Salary/Support: Salary is dependent on qualifications and experience. The Ohio State University offers one of the most comprehensive benefits packages in the nation, which includes medical, dental, vision, and life insurance; tuition authorization; paid vacation and sick leave; ten paid holidays; and State Teachers Retirement System of Ohio (STRS) or an Alternative Retirement Program. A start-up package, including discretionary funding, will be provided.

Application: The application deadline is January 1, 2012 or until a suitable applicant is found. Please submit application materials both electronically (MS Word or PDF format) and as a hard copy. A letter of application and curriculum vita should be included, and the applicant should arrange to have three letters of reference sent directly to the address below. The letter of application should include a concise description of the applicant's experience, approach to Extension, goals, and research interests. All electronic and hard copy application materials should be sent to:

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