Master in Plant Health Management

Position Description: Educator-in-Training, Agriculture and Natural Resources OSU Extension / Pesticide Safety Education Program Graduate Research Associateship (GRA) for the Master in Plant Health Management

JOB DESCRIPTION AND RESPONSIBILITIES:

The Educator-in-training, Agriculture and Natural Resources will assist in developing and contributing to extension education efforts of the Pesticide Safety Education program, particularly as those efforts relate to county extension educators. The Educator-in-training will work collaboratively with The Ohio State University teams of Extension professionals to provide assistance with and resource materials for agriculture and natural resources programs.

The Pesticide Safety Education Program (PSEP) is part of Ohio State University Extension and provides continuing education, new applicator schools, print and web-based information for the 30,000 licensed applicators in the State of Ohio. The program helps applicators make informed decisions about pesticides and apply them safely and effectively. For more information about PSEP, see pested-osu.edu. For more information about OSU Extension see extension.osu.edu

QUALIFICATIONS:

- 1. An earned Bachelor's degree is required. At least one degree in an agriculture-related field and experience in agronomic or horticultural production is desired.
- 2. Acceptance into The Ohio State University Master in Plant Health Management Graduate Program:
 Application materials including an online application, transcripts, Statement of Intent, Curriculum
 Vitae, three letters of recommendation that are familiar with qualifications and potential for graduate study. Full application instructions can be found at mphm.osu.edu.
- 3. Candidates must be willing to work flexible hours with a minimum of supervision.
- 4. Internal and external applicants for positions are also required to accurately self-disclose all criminal convictions when they apply. Background checks will be conducted on internal and external final candidates. Final candidate offer is contingent upon the university's verification of credentials and other information required by law and/or university policies or practices based upon the criminal background check.

One Graduate Research Associateship (GRA) is available starting Autumn 2016 and is projected for 1.5 years of full-time graduate study. The position will be located in Columbus. The GRA appointment includes a stipend and payment of applicable tuition and fees. GRAs must be enrolled full-time each semester, including summer, and may not hold other appointments during the GRA period. It is expected that the MPHM degree requirements will be completed during this program.

Review of applications will begin March 31, 2016 or until a suitable candidate is found.

For questions please contact Mimi Rose, rose.155@osu.edu (Pesticide Applicator Training program) or Anne Dorrance, dorrance.1@osu.edu, Co-Chair of the MPHM program.

ABOUT MPHM

The Master in Plant Health Management is a Professional Science Master's program that offers both academic and professional training in plant health and related areas. The program is administered by the Departments of Plant Pathology and Entomology in the College of Food, Agricultural, and Environmental Sciences.



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