Title: Manager
Functional Title: Horticultural Manager
Position Number: 103085
Category Status: Exempt Regular
Unit: AGNR-AES-Wye Research and Education Center

Position Summary/Purpose of Position:
Coordinate all horticultural and specialty crop research efforts for UMD faculty in PSLA, ENTM, ENST, Extension, other departments and USDA scientists as needed. The program manager also conducts research on strawberry and pumpkin and contributes to the National Atmospheric Deposition Program (NADP) and UV-B projects.

Qualifications:
● B. S. in Horticulture or related field.
  Preferred: MS in Horticulture or related field
● Noncommercial Class C or equivalent driver's license valid in the state of Maryland.
● Valid Commercial Driver’s License (CDL) Class B-non tractor trailer is required and must be obtained within the first year of employment
● Certification by the Maryland Department of Agriculture as a public agency pesticide applicator is required and must be obtained within one year of employment
● Certified Crop Advisor Accreditation (CCA) obtained within three years of employment
● Nutrient Management License obtained within one year of employment

Preferred Experience:
Preferred experience: Minimum of 5 years of farm-related operations, including knowledge of farm implements and set-up for planting and harvesting; 3-years of which involved research/plot design work with minimal supervision; and 3-years of direct supervision/management of farm workers and communicating with both professional and technical personnel.

Preferred Knowledge and Skills:
Communicate effectively between faculty and technical staff ensuring that experiments adhere to research protocol; understand methods of designing, measuring, and layout of field experiments which require advanced math, verbal and writing skills; set and adjust farm equipment used in a horticulture research operation; using technical manuals, develop familiarity with the operation and repair of most related farm and highly specialized equipment used in the operation of an agricultural experiment station facility; understand and follow directions in all procedures for safe operation in application and disposal of pesticides; knowledge of correct operation and safety procedures for safe operation of farm trucks in
transporting fertilizer and pesticides over the road; familiarity with: computer software such as MS Word, and Excel, e-mail, internet applications; shop skills such as metal working and basic carpentry.

Additional Information:
As a working Manager, ability to climb and endure extensive walking, standing, bending and lifting. Should be able to lift up to 50 lbs. Ability to wear and work in personal protective clothing/equipment. Ability to work in extreme weather conditions. Must be available for evening, weekend, and holiday work schedules. Subject to medical surveillance for pesticide use and CDL.

Salary & Benefits: Salary will be commensurate with experience, with base salary starting at $55,200. The University of Maryland offers an extensive benefits package.

Applications: All Interested persons must submit their application via our website: https://ejobs.umd.edu/postings/80836 for position #103085.

Best Consideration/closing Date: For best consideration apply before February 26, 2021 or until a suitable candidate has been identified.

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