

**Job Announcement Position: Assistant Professor
Forage Breeding and Genetics/Genomics.**

Description: The Department of Crop and Soil Sciences, University of Georgia, Athens GA, invites applications for a 12-month tenured/ tenure-track position, 70% research and 30% instruction. The successful candidate will combine traditional and genomic technology to develop improved cultivars and germplasms of forages, with emphasis in alfalfa, clover and tall fescue adapted to the Southeastern U.S. with flexibility to breed bioenergy crops and solve other agricultural problems based on industry needs and program direction. The successful candidate is expected to attract extramural funding, release improved cultivars and germplasms, and publish results from the program in peer reviewed journals. The successful candidate must be committed to excellence in teaching and graduate student training. A graduate level, advanced plant breeding course and an undergraduate course in forage and pasture management will be taught each year. The successful candidate will also be expected to direct graduate student research projects and serve on graduate student advisory committees.

The successful candidate would be part of a strong and growing Plant Breeding, Genetics and Genomics faculty at UGA that spans departments and schools (www.plantbreeding.uga.edu). The successful candidate will have access to state-of-the-art laboratory and greenhouse facilities and field research stations.

Basic Qualifications: Qualifications include a Ph.D. degree in plant breeding, plant genetics, or closely related disciplines, and a demonstrated ability to work collaboratively, obtain extramural funding and publish results. Training or experience in forage or range management and molecular techniques is desirable.

Application: Electronically send application package to: Forage Breeding Search and Screen Chair, c/o Pamela Brown, pjbrown@uga.edu, 3111 Plant Sciences Building, Athens, GA 30602. Applicants must submit the following documentation: a letter of application, curriculum vita, official transcripts, the names and contact information of four professional references, and any other information that reflects on professional qualifications. To assure full consideration, applications must be received by September 15 or until a suitable candidate is identified.

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