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## POSITION ANNOUNCEMENT

**Position # 0001-3393**

**Requisition # 0803205**

**Title:** *Assistant Professor – Horticulture Weed Scientist*

**Location:** *Horticultural Sciences Department*  
**University of Florida**  
**Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences (IFAS)**  
**Gainesville, Florida**

**Salary:** **Commensurate with Qualifications and Experience**

**Review Date:** **To ensure full consideration please apply online and submit additional materials by February 1, 2010. Position will open until a viable applicant pool is determined.**

### **Duties and Responsibilities**

This is a 12-month tenure-accruing position that will be 70% extension (Florida Cooperative Extension Service) and 30% research (Florida Agricultural Experiment Station) and, available in the *Horticultural Sciences Department*, Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences, at the University of Florida. This assignment may change in accordance with the needs of the unit. Primary extension duties of this position are to design and publish weed management recommendations for the state of Florida on vegetable crops, deciduous fruits and nut crops grown in the state, develop in-service education for county faculty and design, implement, and deliver weed management education programs for county faculty, allied agricultural industries, and growers. The research duties of this position are to plan, perform and publish results of investigations on the management, ecology, and biology of weeds important to these crops. This position will also act as the principle investigator for the IR-4 North Florida Field Research Center and direct the GLP residue trails carried out at the Center. The faculty member will participate in graduate education by chairing and serving on graduate committees, supervising thesis and dissertation research, and publishing the results with graduate students. The faculty member will be expected to seek contract and grant funding to actively support the programs. Implementation of the Affirmative Action program at UF is required. Tenure will accrue in the *Horticultural Sciences Department*. The faculty member will participate actively in undergraduate education and graduate education by chairing graduate committees, serving on graduate committees, supervising thesis and dissertation research, supervising undergraduate research, and publishing the results with his/her graduate students. The faculty member will seek contract and grant funding actively

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to support his/her program. The faculty member will engage in Extension activities in his or her program area. All IFAS faculty are expected to demonstrate commitment and responsibility to the three functions of the Land Grant mission.

### **Qualifications**

An earned doctorate in Ph.D. in **horticulture, agronomy, or a closely related plant science discipline**. Postdoctoral and/or previous extension experience and participation in interdisciplinary research programs are preferred. Candidates must demonstrate skills in verbal and written communication, interpersonal relationships, and procurement of extramural funding. Candidates must be supportive of the mission of the Land-Grant system and committed to the IFAS core values of excellence, diversity, global involvement, and accountability. Compensation is commensurate with the education, experience, and qualifications of the selected applicant.

### **Background Information:**

**Extension and research programming will be conducted at the Plant Science Research and Education Unit in Citra, in close proximity to Gainesville.** The University of Florida (<http://www.ufl.edu>) is a Land-Grant and Sea-Grant institution, encompassing virtually all academic and professional disciplines, with an enrollment of more than 48,000 students. UF is a member of The Association of American Universities. The Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences (<http://ifas.ufl.edu>) includes the College of Agricultural and Life Sciences (<http://cals.ufl.edu>), the Florida Agricultural Experiment Station (<http://research.ifas.ufl.edu>), the Florida Cooperative Extension Service (<http://extension.ifas.ufl.edu>), the College of Veterinary Medicine (<http://www.vetmed.ufl.edu>), and encompasses 15 academic departments and the School of Forest Resources and Conservation, 9 interdisciplinary centers, 13 research and educational centers throughout the state, and Cooperative Extension units in each of Florida's 67 counties and the Seminole Tribe. The School of Natural Resources and Environment is an interdisciplinary unit housed in IFAS and managed by several colleges on campus. IFAS employs over 3400 people, which includes approximately 950 faculty and 2450 support personnel located in Gainesville and throughout the state. IFAS, one of the nation's largest agricultural and natural resources research and education organizations, is administered by a Senior Vice President and four deans: the Dean of the College of Agricultural and Life Sciences, the Dean for Extension and Director of the Florida Cooperative Extension Service, the Dean for Research and Director of the Florida Agricultural Experiment Station, and the Dean for the College of Veterinary Medicine. UF/IFAS also engages in cooperative work with Florida A&M University in Tallahassee.

### **Employment Conditions**

This position is available February 1, 2010, and will be filled as soon thereafter as an acceptable applicant is available. Compensation is commensurate with the education, experience, and qualifications of the selected applicant.

### **Nominations and Applications**

Both nominations and applications are welcome. Nominations need to include the complete name and address of the nominee.

Individuals wishing to apply should go online to <https://jobs.ufl.edu> and submit a Faculty Profile – short application (referencing requisition # 0803205).

Also, the following materials must be submitted as a .pdf file to **Dr. Carlene Chase, [cachase@ufl.edu](mailto:cachase@ufl.edu)**:

- curriculum vitae (including statement of current position and responsibilities)
- one-page description of extension philosophy and research interests
- names and addresses (including email) of five references
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Review of application materials will begin on or before February 1, 2010, and will continue until a suitable applicant is identified. Women and minorities are encouraged to apply.

**Contact Information and Application and Nomination Submission Information**

For detailed information visit <https://jobs.ufl.edu>, referencing requisition # 0803205.

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As part of the application process, applicants are invited to complete an on-line confidential and voluntary self disclosure card. This information is stored within GatorJobs and accessible by job number to the Equal Employment Office (when needed to fulfill reporting obligations). For searches not using GatorJobs as a means of recording or tracking candidate applications, a self disclosure form can be found at: <http://www.hr.ufl.edu/job/datacard.htm>. Please reference position number 0803205.

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