

Assistant/Associate Professor - Plant Virology
Auburn University

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Department	Entomology & Plant Pathology
Institution	Auburn University Auburn, Alabama
Date Posted	Oct. 27, 2025
Application Deadline	Open until filled
Position Start Date	Available immediately
Job Categories	Assistant Professor Associate Professor
Academic Field(s)	Plant Pathology Agricultural - General
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Job Description

The Department of Entomology and Plant Pathology at Auburn University seek exceptional applicants for the position of Assistant/Associate Professor in plant virology. Expected start date is August 16, 2026.

Responsibilities: This is a 9-month tenure-track position with 60% research and 40% instruction responsibilities focused on plant virus diseases and their management in agricultural systems. We seek a creative, collaborative scientist who integrates molecular, ecological, and applied approaches to address current and emerging viral threats to crop production. The successful candidate will lead a nationally recognized research program that advances understanding of virus diseases of plants with the goal of sustainable plant production. The candidate's research may address mechanisms of virus infection, transmission, and plant colonization, or virus-host interactions in agricultural and natural systems, virus ecology and epidemiology under changing environmental conditions, metagenomic and

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diagnostic innovations for virus detection and monitoring, sustainable management strategies to reduce yield losses and production risk. The candidate will employ modern technological and analytical tools—such as genomics, bioinformatics, imaging, and field phenotyping—to link fundamental discoveries with practical applications in crop improvement and integrated disease management. The successful candidate will be expected to secure extramural funding to support programs and summer salary, publish technical and referred articles, and collaborate effectively with departmental faculty and colleagues in other disciplines.

The instructional appointment would support the Plant Pathology graduate and undergraduate curriculums including the Applied Biotechnology major as well. Instructional responsibilities will include a required graduate course in virology, as well as being part of the team teaching the service course in General Plant Pathology. Mentoring graduate students and service on graduate student advisory committees is expected. Service to the department, college, and university is also expected.

Contact Information

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