

<b>Position X1845</b>	Research Associate, Variety Testing and Agroecology
<b>Location</b>	The University of Tennessee, Institute of Agriculture, Department of Plant Sciences, Knoxville, TN
<b>Closing Date</b>	Screening of applicants will begin immediately and continue until filled. Start date will be January 2019.

#### Salary and Benefits

Salary is commensurate with training and experience. This is a grant-funded position. Continued employment is contingent upon performance and funding. Benefits include group hospitalization and life insurance, State Employees Retirement; Workers' Compensation; sick and annual leave; numerous University of Tennessee and state benefits programs, including liberal time off for holidays and longevity pay after three years of service; reimbursement for official travel.

**Responsibilities:** The Research Associate is responsible for the following within the variety testing and agroecology program: design, execution, and management of research projects, analysis and reporting of results through both written and oral presentations, supervision and collaboration with program personnel (employees and students), logistics of daily technical operations including coordination and allocation of equipment and personnel resources. This job requires travel to outlying locations (10-15%). Qualified candidates will also have the option to earn an advanced degree (M.S. or PhD) while in this position.

#### Qualifications:

- Minimum requirements include a B.S. in Plant Sciences or a related field, with an M.S. preferred.
- Experience planting, harvesting, and maintaining small plot agricultural studies and analyzing research data is required.
- Experience working with corn, soybeans, and cover crops is highly desired, but not required.
- Excellent written and oral English skills, be self-motivated, highly organized, and willing to work with a diverse group of faculty, staff, and students to conduct field and laboratory research.

#### TO APPLY:

- Complete online application by clicking the link: [External Applicants](#) [Internal Applicants](#)
- Attach to the online application a complete application packet which includes a 1) letter of interest, 2) resume or curriculum vitae, and 3) official or unofficial transcripts showing degree(s) conferred.

For additional information about position, please contact Dr. Virginia Sykes ([vsykes@utk.edu](mailto:vsykes@utk.edu))

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#### Useful web sites to learn more about the University of Tennessee and the city of Knoxville:

The University of Tennessee: [www.utk.edu](http://www.utk.edu)

Department of Plant Sciences: [www.plantsciences.utk.edu](http://www.plantsciences.utk.edu)

UT Agronomic Variety Trials: [www.varietytrials.tennessee.edu](http://www.varietytrials.tennessee.edu)

UT Crops: [www.utcrops.com](http://www.utcrops.com)

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