

Ph.D. Research Assistantship in Plant Biotechnology

Dr. Huo's lab at the Crop Transformation Center and the Horticulture Science Department at the University of Florida has a Ph.D. position available. This position includes a full research assistantship, which waives tuition and offers an annual stipend for FTE0.5 appointment ($\geq \$26,207$). The successful candidate will focus on developing protocols for genetic transformation and gene editing in fruit trees and other crop species for functional characterization. This position is based on the main campus and will commence in August 2025.

We highly encourage applicants with an M.S. degree in relevant research areas (Plant Biotechnology, Horticulture, Agronomy, Forestry, Plant Biology, Plant Pathology, Genetics) and a strong publication record to apply. Applicants with research experience in genome editing is highly preferred.

Minimum Requirements:

- 1) GPA 3.0 or above
- 2) TOEFL 80 or IELTS 6.0, GRE is NOT required for all applicants (Note: A TOEFL or IELTS English test may not be required for applicants from some countries. For more information, please visit: [Grad International - University of Florida \(ufl.edu\)](https://gradinternational.ufl.edu))

To be fully considered, please submit your application package (CV, official English test scores, official transcripts, three reference letters, and application form) by January 15, 2025. Applications can be submitted through the Horticulture Science Program:

<https://hos.ifas.ufl.edu/graduate/admissions/>.

or Plant Breeding Program:

[Admissions - Plant Breeding Program - University of Florida - Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences - University of Florida, Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences - UF/IFAS \(ufl.edu\)](#)

For additional information, please visit the lab website (alfredlab.com) for our current research and directly email to hhuo@ufl.edu.