Cropping Systems Assistant – University of Florida

The University of Florida West Florida Research and Education Center in Jay, FL seeks a Cropping Systems Assistant. The Cropping Systems Assistant will report to the Cropping Systems Specialist with day-to-day supervision by the Cropping Systems Senior Laboratory Technician. Activities include implementing and maintaining research plots for row crop production (e.g., cotton, peanut, corn, wheat, soybean, sesame, carinata, etc.) for field production (fertilization, soil sampling, pesticide application, recordkeeping, harvesting, data collection and entry) and executing field and laboratory protocols.

The incumbent will also purchase supplies, handle labor requests necessary for research and demonstration activities, work with graduate students and farm personnel, and develop and maintain databases related to the projects.

The incumbent must obtain a public pesticide applicators license within 60 days from hire date. A criminal background check will be conducted prior to employment.

Remuneration will be based on 40 hours/week (5 days a week) with wages commensurate with experience. The incumbent may choose to enroll in limited benefits, including:

- Medical insurance
- State Supplemental benefits (dental, vision, cancer/intensive care, & hospital plans)
- 403(b) or 457 voluntary savings plans

Minimum requirements for the position:

- Demonstrated interest in research and crop production
- Detail oriented and well organized
- A can-do attitude
- A hands-on, common sense approach to problems
- Ability to follow instructions, ask questions, and work well with others
- Ability to occasionally lift 60 lbs (e.g. bags of seed or fertilizer)
- Ability to work in all weather, particularly heat

Preferred Qualifications:

- 3 years’ experience in agricultural crop production
- Excel skills
- Computer literacy

To Apply For This Position:
Email resume to Dr. Michael J. Mulvaney at m.mulvaney@ufl.edu. Indicate in subject line “Cropping Systems Assistant.” Contact Dr. Mulvaney with questions related to this announcement.