
SLVRC Research Professor/Extension Specialist - Plant Pathology

Posting Details

Classification Information

This information is pulled in from the position description.

Classification Title Resch Sci/Scholar I

Classification Code 009268

Salary Grade

Min Salary

Mid Salary

Max Salary

Position Information

Position Number 024230.0001

Employment Category Special

Accelerated Search Process Requested? No

Proposed Annual Salary Range Salary is commensurate with experience and qualifications plus comprehensive benefits package

FLSA Exempt

Description of Work Unit

The San Luis Valley Research Center is part of a network of 7 research centers (9 sites) throughout the state. The first San Luis Valley Research Center was established in 1888 (the same year the main station at Fort Collins was established) on 200 acres of state land near the Rio Grande River, seven miles east of Del Norte. It is now located near the town of Center, Colorado, approximately 9 miles north of the town of Monte Vista, Colorado. The Research Center has a continuing commitment to the people of the San Luis Valley (SLV) and the State of Colorado to provide research information, conduct extension education and seed certification programs. Beginning in 1940, the principal research activity was focused on selecting potato varieties adaptable to the region. In 1979 a potato breeding program was initiated to complement the selection activity. Research on cultural practices including disease and pest studies was also conducted. In the early 1920s, the Colorado Certified Seed Growers Association initiated a seed certification program located on the Colorado State University campus which was co located at the SLVRC in 1964.

Hiring Authority Amy Bibbey, Joanna Holliday, Eugene Kelly, Shelly Lynch

Supervisor Name	Eugene Kelly
Supervisor Working Title	Deputy Director of Agricultural Experiment Station and CAS Associate Dean of Extension
Position Summary	<p>This position will provide research and Extension programming for south central Colorado and will be based at the San Luis Valley Research Center (SLVRC). The position will contribute to Colorado State University engagement throughout the San Luis Valley (SLV) of Colorado. Position responsibilities will be 60% research and 40% Extension.</p> <p>The extension and research responsibilities will address current and emerging issues in disease management and control, primarily in potatoes for both storage and fresh markets. The purpose of this position is to conduct an applied research and engagement program on disease management important to the SLV and other potato growing regions of Colorado. The position could also potentially work on other plants diseases in rotational crops with potatoes in the SLV. The SLVRC has a strong potato breeding program and the successful applicant will interact with the breeding program in selecting and screening lines resistant to potato diseases endemic to or emerging in the SLV. Other potential areas of research include, but are not limited to, using innovative technologies, such as remote sensing, GIS, App and/or Web-based tools for disease forecasting and management, pathogen diagnostic development, pathogen vector management, and/or soil health.</p> <p>The individual in this position will collaborate with other scientists, the potato industry, and the Research Center Manager to obtain external funding to support research and engagement programs that further disease management in the SLV. The position will conduct and communicate disease forecasting to help the potato industry prevent plant disease outbreaks in the SLV. The position will develop an effective Extension program that is responsive to needs of growers in the SLV. The position will interact with and be responsive to the Colorado Potato Administrative Committee and will be expected to create and convene an advisory committee specific to potato pathology. The position will contribute to planning and participate in an annual regional conference focusing on irrigated agriculture in the SLV. This position will interact with the Potato Certification Service to diagnose, detect and prevent potato diseases from entering the SLV.</p> <p>The individual in this position will report to the Deputy Director of the AES and work in close coordination with other Scientists and the Manager at the SLVRC. The position requires effective working relations with agricultural clientele and stakeholders. The position is expected to report research results in AES reports and bulletins, publish Extension factsheets and work as a member of the appropriate Extension Planning and Reporting Unit (PRU). The position is expected to assure compliance with civil rights and affirmative action policies including reaching out to under-served and underrepresented audiences.</p>
Position Supervises	Supervise research technicians and seasonal hourly employees.
Decision Making	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Work in close coordination with other SLVRC scientists and Manager • With input from internal and external stakeholders, identify and communicate program initiatives • Implement related research projects with measurable outcomes/objectives • Identify, facilitate and maintain collaborative opportunities • Identify, organize and participate in key outreach and engagement activities
Conditions of Employment	Pre-employment Criminal Background Check (required for new hires), Valid Driver's License
Required Job Qualifications	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PhD, Degree(s) emphasis in plant pathology, plant biology, or horticulture or related field and less than three (3) years relevant postdoctoral experience or equivalent. • Demonstrated ability to conduct research in the areas of plant pathology and integrated disease management including knowledge of diseases caused by bacteria, fungi, nematodes and/or viruses. • Record of strong communication and interaction with colleagues and clientele groups using modern, innovative technology.

- Ability to conduct interdisciplinary research in a team environment.
- Experience with or desire to work with crop producers and the agricultural industry.
- Must have a valid driver's license or the ability to obtain a driver's license or access to a licensed driver by the employment start date.

Preferred Job Qualifications

- Three or more years of postdoctoral experience or equivalent.
- Knowledge and experience in outreach and extension.
- Demonstrated record of publications in relevant scientific literature.
- Experience in supervising support staff or graduate students.
- Success in obtaining grants in support of program efforts.

Is this an Hourly position?

No

Work Hours/Week

40

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If this is a Research Professional position, select 'Yes'. Otherwise, select 'No'.

Yes

Posting Number

201700931AP

Number of Vacancies**Desired Start Date****Position End Date (if temporary)****Open Posting Date****To ensure full consideration, applications must be received by 11:59pm (MT) on**

01/08/2018

Close Posting Date**Open Until Filled**

Yes

Special Instructions Summary

For full consideration please apply by 01/08/18. Application materials include (1) Cover letter addressing required and desired qualifications, (2) Resume or CV, (3) Unofficial transcripts for all degrees, (4) Contact information for three professional references, one of who was/is an immediate supervisor. References will not be contacted without prior notification of candidates.

Internal Search Requested**Rationale for Internal Search****Recruitment Plan**

CSUJobs Website
 Connecting Colorado Website
 Indeed.com
 HigherEdJobs.com
 CAS Open positions web page
 Alamosa News Valley Courier
 Monte Vista Journal
 ASA
 Potato Assoc. of America
 National Potato Council
 American Society for Horticultural Science
 American Plant Pathology Assoc.

Colorado Potato Administrative Comm.
Assoc. of Public and Land Grant Univ.
CSU Extension Listserv
Western Assoc. of AES Directors

Pass Message

Thank you for your interest in this position. The screening and selection process is currently underway and will continue until a successful candidate is chosen. Should review of your qualifications result in a decision to pursue your candidacy, you will be contacted.

Fail Message

Thank you for your interest in this position. Based on your responses to the questions on the employment application, you do not meet the minimum qualifications for this position. Please do not let this discourage you from applying for other positions at CSU that interest you.

AP/Faculty Short Posting

CSU's San Luis Valley Research Center near Center, CO, seeks a Research Professor/Extension Specialist, Plant Pathology. Min. reqs. include PhD. Read full job/apply online by 01/08/18 for full consideration at:
<http://jobs.colostate.edu/postings/51578>
CSU is an EO/EA/AA employer and conducts background checks on all final candidates.

Quick Link for Internal Postings

<http://jobs.colostate.edu/postings/51578>

Background Check Policy Statement

Colorado State University (CSU) strives to provide a safe study, work, and living environment for its faculty, staff, volunteers and students. To support this environment and comply with applicable laws and regulations, CSU conducts background checks. The type of background check conducted varies by position and can include, but is not limited to, criminal (felony and misdemeanor) history, sex offender registry, motor vehicle history, financial history, and/or education verification. Background checks will be conducted when required by law or contract and when, in the discretion of the university, it is reasonable and prudent to do so.

EEO Statement

Colorado State University is committed to providing an environment that is free from discrimination and harassment based on race, age, creed, color, religion, national origin or ancestry, sex, gender, disability, veteran status, genetic information, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, or pregnancy and will not discharge or in any other manner discriminate against employees or applicants because they have inquired about, discussed, or disclosed their own pay or the pay of another employee or applicant. Colorado State University is an equal opportunity/equal access/affirmative action employer fully committed to achieving a diverse workforce and complies with all Federal and Colorado State laws, regulations, and executive orders regarding non-discrimination and affirmative action. The [Office of Equal Opportunity](#) is located in 101 Student Services.

The Title IX Coordinator is the Executive Director of the Office of Support and Safety Assessment, 123 Student Services Building, Fort Collins, CO 80523 -2026, (970) 491-7407.

The Section 504 and ADA Coordinator is the Associate Vice President for Human Capital, Office of Equal Opportunity, 101 Student Services Building, Fort Collins, CO 80523-0160, (970) 491-5836.

Diversity Statement

•Personal and professional commitment to diversity as demonstrated by involvement in teaching, research, creative activity, service to the profession and/or diversity/inclusion activities.

Search Contact

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EO Coordinator

Joanna Holliday, James Pritchett

Applicant Manager

Amy Bibbey, Joanna Holliday, Shelly Lynch, Kierra Jewell

Essential Job Duties

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Job Duty Category	Research
Duty/Responsibility	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Collaborate with station and campus personnel on applied research and extension of plant disease diagnosis, management and control. • Collaborate with the breeding program in selecting and screening lines resistant to potato diseases. • Publish research results in peer-reviewed journals.
Percentage Of Time	60
Job Duty Category	Extension
Duty/Responsibility	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Foster working relationships with agricultural clientele and stakeholders to ensure a relevant and effective applied research and outreach program. • Publish research results and potato disease guidance in AES reports and bulletins, online and in Extension factsheets. • Engage as a member of the appropriate Extension Planning and Reporting Unit (PRU).
Percentage Of Time	40

Position Budget Information

Budget Summary

Alternative Appointment Request

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Please note: For an Alternative Appointment, the proposed individuals resume will need to be uploaded in the Posting Documents tab.

Alternative Appointment Requested?

Name of Proposed Individual

Nature of Appointment

Type of Appointment

Rationale for Request

How Proposed Individual Was Identified

If this is a current employee of your unit, are you going to fill the position vacated by this employee?

If so, by what method?

If other, please explain

Is a salary adjustment requested? No

Background Check Requirement

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Education Check: Is an educational degree check desired? No

Financial History Check: does the position reside in Student Financial Services No

Motor Vehicle Record Check: does the position require driving a motor vehicle (i.e. university owned, personal, rental, etc.) on a routine basis to conduct university business? Yes

Motor Vehicle Record Check: does the position require a commercial driver's license? No

Sensitive Conditions Check: does the position work with vulnerable populations (i.e. children, minors, animals etc.) Yes

Sensitive Conditions Check: does the position work with controlled substances, select agents, or other sensitive research material/information? Yes

Sensitive Conditions Check: does the position have unsupervised access to buildings, residence halls, or other secure facilities? Yes

Sensitive Information Check: does the position have access to sensitive information? Yes

Supplemental Questions

Required fields are indicated with an asterisk (*).

Qualification Groups

Applicant Documents

Required Documents

- 1. Cover Letter

2. Resume or CV
3. Unofficial Transcripts

Optional Documents

None

Search Committee

Name	Email	Chair?	Status
Troy Bauder	troy.bauder@colostate.edu	Yes	approved
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Keith Holland	krhland64@gmail.com	No	approved

Evaluative Criteria

References

References

Minimum Number of References	3
Maximum Number of References	3
Accept Reference Letters	No
Last Day a Reference Provider Can Submit Reference Letter	

Posting Documents

1. [Applicant Screening Form](#) (PDF | 42.6 KB)
2. [Current Organizational Chart \(Required\)](#) (PDF | 44.2 KB)

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