*Department: Horticulture & Crop Science
Position: Genetics, Genomics, and Breeding of Horticultural Crops
*Rank: Assistant Professor

*Description: The Department of Horticulture and Crop Science in The College of Food, Agriculture and Environmental Sciences (CFAES) at The Ohio State University (OSU) seeks applicants for a 9-month tenure-track faculty position at the Assistant Professor level in genetics, genomics, and breeding of cultivated plants, whose scholarly interests focus on the programmatic field of applied genetics and genomics. The successful candidate should have demonstrated skills in developing an extramurally funded, innovative research program pertinent to the breeding of cultivated plants, such as germplasm development, seed biology and/or trait analyses. Applicants who focus on vegetable, small fruit, or medicinal plant breeding and link fundamental and genome-wide questions with applied outcomes to cultivar improvement are particularly encouraged to apply.

Candidates should have a strong record of research accomplishments and a commitment to teaching. The successful candidate is expected to contribute to the undergraduate and graduate education with at least 2 classes (5-7 credit hours) per academic year to support the department’s core teaching program and to engage in new interdisciplinary teaching collaborations with other departments. There will also be opportunities to develop new courses based on the candidate’s expertise.

This position is located at OSU’s main campus in Columbus, Ohio. OSU has a large and vibrant plant research community, with outstanding interdisciplinary undergraduate and graduate programs and excellent core facilities on the main campus in Columbus and the Ohio Agricultural Research and Development Center (OARDC) in Wooster. Collaborations are facilitated by multiple Centers and Programs including the Food Innovation Center, Center for Applied Plant Sciences, and Translational Plant Sciences Graduate Program.

Candidates are expected to have a Ph.D. degree in plant breeding and genetics or related field, evidence of scholarly productivity in publications, university teaching experience, demonstrated excellence in communication, experience in interdisciplinary collaborations, ability to obtain extramural funding, and interest and/or experience in mentoring or working with members of underrepresented populations.

*Application Instructions:*
Email a letter of application, curriculum vitae, statement of research and teaching interests, and contact information of at least three references, all in a single PDF document, to Ginger Koozer (koozer.2@osu.edu). The deadline for applications is May 15, 2017 or until a suitable applicant is found.

*Commitment to Diversity and Inclusion: *The Ohio State University is committed to establishing a culturally and intellectually diverse environment, encouraging all members of our learning community to reach their full potential. We are responsive to dual-career families and strongly promote work-life balance to support our community members through a suite of institutionalized policies. We are an NSF Advance Institution and a member of the Ohio/Western Pennsylvania/West Virginia Higher Education Recruitment Consortium. All qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, national origin, disability status, or protected veteran status.