

GRADUATE STUDY IN FOREST PATHOLOGY

COLLEGE OF FORESTRY, WILDLIFE AND ENVIRONMENT AUBURN UNIVERSITY

The College of Forestry, Wildlife and Environment at Auburn University is seeking two Ph.D. candidates: one to study the environmental factors that drive the emergence and severity of infection from *Lecanosticta acicola* across the southeast and one to investigate strain aggressiveness and seedling tolerance. Be part of a large, interdisciplinary effort aimed at reducing the economic impact of this fungus in the southeast United States. *Our laboratory is a diverse and respectful work environment.*

The position is available Fall 2022/Spring 2023. Interested applicants should send the following to Dr. Lori Eckhardt (eckhalg@auburn.edu).

- (1) Letter of application describing your academic and research experience and career goals;
- (2) Complete resume or CV showing the date of your most recent degree;
- (3) College/university transcripts (unofficial copy is acceptable);
- (4) Names, email addresses and phone numbers of two references; and TOEFL tests (for international students) scores (photocopy is acceptable).

Stipends: Graduate research assistantships are available at \$22,000/yr plus tuition waived. In addition, the College of Forestry, Wildlife and Environment has several fellowships for exceptional candidates. These are offered to prospective students and are awarded competitively.

Desirable qualifications: B.S. and M.S. in forest biology, plant biology, tree/plant physiology, plant pathology or related degree. In addition to meeting Graduate School admission requirements, applicants are evaluated and recommended for admission by the graduate faculty of the College of Forestry, Wildlife and Environment based on an examination of their scores on the TOEFL tests for international students, their previous academic record, experience, and letters of recommendation. A minimum GPA of 3.0 in previous academic course work.