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John Mengelt
c/o Breckenridge Partners

Dear John and Search Committee Members,

With 20 years' experience in land grant university administration, I am excited to apply for the position of Dean of the College of Agriculture and Director of the Alabama Agricultural Experiment Station. The University's Land Grant mission aligns with my own experiences and goals. My degrees and post-graduate work experience have all been at R1 Land Grant universities.

The position is exciting because it has responsibilities for both research and academics. I became an assistant professor at the University of Wisconsin-Madison (UW) because I wanted to conduct research, extension programming, and teach the next generation of agriculturists. I am both concerned, and hopeful for, the future of agriculture. The Dean and Director position provides an opportunity for me to give back and serve the public's interests to maintain our food supply at a larger capacity than my current role allows. The University of Auburn is attractive because of its capacity to enhance agricultural productivity and improve the public's knowledge of agriculture in the near- and long-term future.

My background in research, extension, academics, and administration has helped me develop a diverse skill set which aligns well with the position description. I have grown up around agriculture and enjoyed working on family farms. I've worked in row crops, forestry, turf, and laboratory settings. I've served as an undergraduate student research assistant, a GRA, a GTA, and staff at multiple land grant universities. In 1997 I began an appointment as assistant professor at the University of Wisconsin-Madison (UW) in horticulture and was a tenured full professor by 2008.

My administrative experience began as the faculty project leader for research and outreach at one of UW's research stations while an assistant professor. I gained significant breadth and depth in administration of research and teaching as department chair of Horticulture at UW in 2005 – while chair, we had the #1 ranked graduate program for Horticulture in the country. As Chair, I managed federal and state budgets and rules (USDA faculty were housed and tenured in our department, along with their staff). I successfully addressed various personnel situations ranging from poor performance to mental health crises.

In my second year, my goals shifted from conducting science to helping others achieve their goals after a wonderfully satisfying experience in which I helped resolve a long-standing issue between our two largest faculty research programs involving intellectual property. I learned I had strengths for bringing people together to solve problems and advance ideas. I worked with the Wisconsin Potato & Vegetable Growers Association to successfully address breeding needs for new potato varieties. I was also able to bring together commodity groups in the Green Industry to address statewide regulatory issues particularly around nutrients and pesticides. My

colleagues and I also worked with commodity groups to keep university research stations funded: my department was directly responsible for two and had shared responsibility for others.

My work with the UW Foundation and industry raised funds for activities such as funding a National Agricultural Statistics Service economic impact survey and endowing four Graduate Student Fellowships (\$2 million value). My experiences later helped shape the University of Tennessee Herbert Scholars endowment and securing other philanthropic funding plus stewarding an approximately \$90 million endowment portfolio.

In 2011 I began serving as an assistant dean at the University of Tennessee College of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources (now Herbert College of Agriculture). In 2013 I led the College's strategic plan and oversaw its implementation, increasing our first-year retention and graduation rates from 84% to 93% and 71.8% to 77.4%, respectively. In 2015, an emergency in the college required me to step out of my position to revise and balance the College budget. One outcome was my promotion to associate dean with budget oversight responsibilities. In 2018 I began a dual-appointment as associate dean for both academic and faculty affairs, providing oversight for the College's P&T process and drafting P&T letters for the Dean.

I have been energized by opportunities to lead and innovate withing our college. Currently I oversee staff and activities associated with advising, employer relations, enrollment (retention and recruitment), communications, curriculum, international activities, and student life along with various fiscal, international, and personnel responsibilities. Two significant accomplishments since the COVID crisis in 2020 were teaching our faculty via weekly meetings how to flip our instruction to 100% online during the pandemic and implementing a new budget model for the College (2021-current). Understanding the budget model has allowed us to forecast budgets and better inform department heads and faculty, resulting in 180-degree changes regarding curriculum development and space usage. Behavioral changes have led to a 40% budget increase in the past three years.

My strengths for strategic thinking, problem-solving, and achievement drive my desire for the Dean position. I enjoy helping people to make changes that improve lives and the environment. My time in Extension helped me to learn how to work with industry, municipal, and state officials to achieve mutually beneficial goals. This and experience working with Advancement will be crucial to raise funding for new facilities.

I hope I have sufficiently conveyed a desire, and the experience needed to excel in the Dean position. I have thought long and hard about the opportunity and feel I have a lot to give back to make the College among the strongest in the country. I look forward to the possibility of providing more information and interviewing for the position.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "John C. Slie". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

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Experience

2015- **Associate Dean-Academic Affairs and Professor, Herbert College of Agriculture,**

Present **University of Tennessee, Knoxville, 2015-present (& Faculty Affairs 2018-2022)**

Herbert College is one of 14 colleges and schools in Tennessee's 1862 Land Grant University. The College has 2,022 of the University's 36,000+ students and offers 11 undergraduate, 11 Masters, and 6 PhD degrees. The College has a budget of \$27,300,000 and 133 faculty (most with joint appointments with AgResearch or Extension). The associate dean's (AD) responsibilities include overseeing student services staff and functions including advising, communications, recruiting, scholarships, and student life. The AD oversees undergraduate and graduate curriculum and program performance, student experiential learning programs, and conducts faculty and department head training. The AD helps oversee budget and endowments.

Significant accomplishments achieved through university teamwork:

- **Administered budget and funding activities**

- Grew revenue 41% from \$19,269,260 in FY20 to \$27,295,00 in FY25
 - Taught the new budget allocation model to the faculty and heads of the Herbert College's 8 departments to initiate increased efficiencies
 - Student credit hour (SCH) production grew 44% from 602 SCH/faculty FTE to 866 from 2020 to 2024
 - Degrees granted grew 21% from 9.1 to 11.0 degrees/faculty FTE from 2020 to 2024
- Developed base algorithm to distribute department operating funds to incentive positive academic outcomes including retention and faculty productivity.
 - Performance-based allocations to departments increased from < \$100,000 to \$971,700 between 2020 to 2024
- Advancement, scholarships and endowments
 - Donor visits with Advancement team
 - Resulted in creation of recruitment position in Middle/Western TN
 - Resulted in 3 annual faculty/staff/student awards for critical thinking and entrepreneurship
 - Worked with donor, Advancement, and former Dean to develop an endowment to support students for out-of-state internships. Since 2017, expenditures rose from \$25,000 to support 7 students to \$223,000 in 2024 to support 58 students
 - Developed the strategy for using endowment funds to achieve the College's strategic plan: ~ \$450,000/year is used for study abroad, undergraduate research, and revenue-generating entrepreneurship (e.g., UT Creamery)
 - Changed leadership of scholarship committee from *ad hoc* faculty to staff (2022)
 - Awards increased from ~\$800,000 annually to \$1.2 million by 2023

- **Faculty Hiring and Development**
 - Instituted practice of shifting resources from retiring faculty lines to support areas of growth based on enrollments, student credit hours, and degrees granted
 - Analyzed data to guide decisions in faculty investments
 - Interviewed multiple faculty and department head candidates
 - Grew faculty knowledge of Artificial Intelligence and Virtual Reality (VR)
 - Secured 6 faculty spots in a UT contract for Auburn University's course for instructors to integrate AI into the classroom, 2023
 - Convened workshop Artificial Intelligence - 70 faculty (2023)
 - Purchased 360 degree cameras and VR headsets for each department. Two departments have used them for various courses or outreach (2021)
 - Workshops (staff conducted)
 - Social media usage for faculty (2024)
 - Two workshops to train 6-8 faculty in VR (2022)
 - Personnel management
 - Assisted faculty with student or administrative issues ranging from student conduct to Title IV (attendance) and Title IX compliance
 - Assisted Department Heads with personnel issues
 - Resolved several formal complaints involving faculty disagreements and misconduct allegations
 - Instituted orientations for new Department Heads (2017-present)
 - Promotion & Tenure
 - Chaired UTIA's Tenure, Promotion, and Performance Review committee (2017-2022)
 - Convened annual Promotion and Tenure Workshops for ~ 50 faculty
 - Ensured updated online resources existed for faculty P&T support
<https://utiaacademicaffairs.tennessee.edu/promotion-and-tenure/>
 - Provided recommendations to Chancellor for process improvements
 - Developed and wrote faculty P&T decisions
 - Initiated new software (Interfolio) & training for P&T (2021-2022)
- **Led and managed College's faculty and teaching programs**
 - Faculty training
 - Led the College's change from nearly 100% face-to-face instruction for 175 courses to 100% online instruction within a two-week period at the beginning of the Covid-19 pandemic
 - Held weekly training sessions for over 100 faculty, usually themed and with guest presenters, via Zoom for 14 months to help faculty be the best online instructors possible
 - Held annual Fall Kick-Off faculty training to update on university changes and promote best teaching and student support practices
 - Themes included artificial intelligence, student mental health support, and digital pedagogy
 - Hired Hanover Research (2022-23) to analyze existing and potential new academic programs to support state and national needs. Examples of shifting resources to grow or develop new programs included:

- Outdoor Recreation & Parks Management (ORPM) concentration in Forestry with plans to elevate to a major
 - Funds allocated to hire two faculty
 - 13 courses developed for ORPM
 - Program began Fall 2024 with three students
- Environmental Science degree
 - Worked with department to change the name of the Environmental & Soil Science degree program to Environmental Sciences to align with prospective students' experiences; effective Fall 2025
 - Allocated funds to hire a full-time instructor
 - Introductory Environmental Science course developed for General Education "VolCore" status beginning Fall 2025
- Fermentation Program development
 - Allocated funding for new faculty hire
 - Fermentation minor started 2024
 - New classes
 - FDSC 110 Fermented Foods - 250 students, 2024
 - FDSC 210 The Science of Brewing-30 students, 2024
- **Curriculum**

Worked with College departments, the Graduate School, and served on the Graduate Council and Graduate Deans Committee to revise curricula and procedures

 - Coordinated Herbert College's Graduate and Undergraduate Academic Councils
 - Developed Construction Science & Management degree with Biosystems Engineering & Soil Science faculty, Provost's office, and UT System, 2018
 - Enrolled 326 students by Fall 2024
 - 50-100 course and program changes annually
 - Examples in 2023 included:
 - 4 new concentrations in Biosystems Engineering
 - Supply chain concentration in Agricultural & Resource Economics, joint with Haslam College of Business and Arts & Sciences
 - Minor in Food Fermentation
 - 88 General Education "VolCore" courses developed with a number aimed at non-Herbert students in order to promote agriculture literacy in accord with national needs
 - Met with faculty as needed to develop or revise curricula for efficiency or to reduce student costs

Examples included:

 - Worked with Construction Science & Management and Agricultural & Resource Economics faculty to allow students to take lower-cost AREC courses to meet business course requirements
 - Combined students from multiple departments into a single career development course to increase efficiency
 - Supported wise growth of online education
 - **UT's 1st online undergraduate certificate** for undergraduates - Horticultural Therapy
 - Worked with faculty, Provost, registrar, and UT System
 - 23 students graduated since it began in 2021

- Convened faculty committee to develop guidelines for online courses
 - 38 new online courses since 2021, enrolling 3,250 students in 2024
- SACS Accreditation
 - Led writing team for successful 5 year review of SACS Standard 9.1-Program Content (2019-20)
 - Worked with University administrators and College faculty to set outcomes, acquire and assess student learning outcomes data for 2016 reaffirmation of university accreditation by Southern Association of Colleges and Schools.
- **Led Graduate Education**
 - Coordinated the annual **3 Minute Thesis** competition for the College (2018-2022)
 - The College's students won and/or placed in the top three University competitions in 4 of the 5 years
 - Recruiting
 - **Program Director** for the University of Tennessee's China Scholars (2015-2021)
 - Annual trips to China (2015-2019) recruited 35 PhD students to UT in 3 colleges (Agriculture, Engineering, and Arts & Sciences)
 - Trips included 9 faculty from 3 University of Tennessee colleges
 - Co-convenor Joint US-China NSF workshop "International Nexus of Food, Energy, Water, and Soil", 26-29 October 2016, Yixin, Jiangsu Province, China
 - \$2.4 million program 2015-2018
 - \$3.6 million program when renewed from 2018-2021
 - 34 PhD students graduated
 - Two faculty mentors gave series of guest lectures in China
 - Renewed 2025-2030 (now led by Center for Global Engagement)
 - 22 students applied for Fall 2025
 - Developed **Herbert Graduate Fellows** awards criteria and processes to recruit top PhD students, 2018-present
 - 58 PhD students matriculated 2018-2024
 - Expenditures ~ \$1,208,000 (~ \$150,000 annually)
 - Developed and hosted **Graduate School Information Session**
 - 2025: Collaborated with Univ. Kentucky for inter-state recruitment
 - Scheduled for March 25
 - 2024: 50 undergraduates, 1st year
 - Led UT's contract with **AgNgin** (2023) database for students seeking graduate school in agriculture, natural resources, and life sciences
 - UT was first in the nation to meet its quota of 20% of eligible students enrolled in 2024
 - Generated 2,727 prospective graduate students for University of Tennessee
 - New PhD programs (much of the proposal writing was done by faculty)
 - Worked with departments, Provost's Office, UT System, and TN Higher Education Commission
 - PhD Entomology, Plant Pathology & Nematology 2016
 - PhD Agricultural Leadership, Education & Communication 2025

- **Led and developed Herbert College's student services and staff**
Our goal is to put students first, ensuring all are welcomed and supported to succeed during and after college
 - **Communications**
 - Created the College's Communications team, 2019-2024
 - College's visibility across campus and the state has increased due to social media, newsletters, and advertising in print media such as the Daily Beacon and Tennessee Home & Farm (675,000 subscribers)
 - Developed and hired a second communications position focused on creative content for videography, photography, and social media in 2024
 - Student electronic newsletter revisions increased "open" rate from 1144 in AY2022-23 to 1644 in AY2023-24
 - Social media (Instagram, Facebook, X) had over 3,700 followers, an 8% growth rate, and 221,225 impressions in 2023
 - **Undergraduate recruiting**
 - Set recruiting goals and worked with the recruitment coordinator to recruit high quality undergraduates into specific programs.
 - Reconfigured our recruitment efforts in 2021, promoting our recruitment Coordinator to an Assistant Director and hiring recruiters for Eastern TN and Middle/West Tennessee to broaden our in-state reach, 2023
 - Applications rose from ~700/year to over 1300 students in 2024
 - Undergraduate enrollment increased 19% from 2019 to 2024
 - Record high undergraduate enrollment, 1680 students, in Fall 2024
 - **Career Services**
 - Led effort to improve self-reporting of graduating students employment and salary information from < 30% to over 60%
 - Collaborated with career services coordinator on annual College career fair and programs to prepare students for interviewing and networking
 - Developed a Coordinator for Employer Engagement & Career position to improve internship & career opportunities for students (2024)
 - Hosted annual Career Fair for Agriculture and Natural Resources
 - Over 170 students and 40 companies attended in 2024
 - Hosted, in concert with Construction Science and Management program, annual Construction Science Career Fair
 - 92 companies and over 220 students attended in 2024
 - **Student Life**
 - Improved organization of College clubs by having each register with campus and keep officers and websites updated.
 - Developed a Deans Advisory Committee (2013-present) of undergraduate students to help our office focus on resolving problems or issues faced by students
 - Results included
 - Revised bus service for the Agriculture campus
 - Food trucks for the Agriculture campus
 - One or more events hosted monthly for student engagement such as Welcome Week activities, Fall Festival, Chocolate Bar Day, Herbert-tine's Day (Feb 14), Surprise Hat Drop, and Commencement Celebration

- **Experiential learning**
 - USDA-NIFA grant (led by Adam Willcox), 2016-2019, \$281,236
 - Two groups of 7 students from 4 universities spent 6 weeks/year conducting research and extension programs in Belize
 - Two became Fulbright Fellows
 - 13 continued for graduate study
 - Increased study abroad participation working
 - Set goal of 50% of undergraduates having an international experience
 - Used endowment funds
 - Worked with Smith Center for International Agriculture
 - Grew from <10% students in 2020-21 to ~25% students in 2023-24
 - Herbert Scholars Internship Program
 - Funded 117 students for out-of-town internships 2017-2024
 - Average award \$3,500
- **Research**
 - Two grants totaling \$5,601,200
 - FIFA 2026 World Cup Soccer Project. Federation Internationale de Football Association (FIFA). J.C. Sorochoan and J.C. Stier. 2022-2024. \$5,526,200
 - Included \$2.4 million for construction of climate-controlled research building at a University research farm
 - Broadband-enabled precision agriculture: 5G in turfgrass science and education. Greig, J.A., J. C. Stier, J.C. Sorochoan, S.I. Ruoti, J. Weinhandl, E.T. Parker, C. Furst, B.J. DeLozier, A. Hill, R. Rutledge, A. Albrecht, S. Wilson, C. Weems. 2023. AT & T and Univ. Tennessee. 2023-2025. \$75,000.
Grant brought local 5G service to a University research farm
 - Honors and Awards
 - Fred V. Grau Turfgrass Science Award, 2020
 - Significant career contributions in turfgrass science during past 15 years
 - Fellow, American Society of Agronomy, 2017
 - Highest recognition in the Society; ≤0.3% of members
 - Fellow, Crop Science Society of America, 2016
 - Highest recognition in the Society; ≤0.3% of members
 - Invited Speaker, Biotechnology Literacy Project, “Genesis evolving: New genetic modification techniques and their impact on regulation and policy” Univ. California-Davis, 2015
- **Awards and Recognition for Faculty, Staff, Students, Alumni**
 - Oversaw College awards program (2011-present)
 - Converted nominations process from paper to electronic (2017)
 - Developed awards for:
 - Young alumnus (2025)
 - Faculty mentor for undergraduate research (2014)
 - Friend of the College (2013)
 - Submitted first successful faculty nomination for University Chancellor’s Professor
 - Successfully nominated two graduate student commencement speakers (2022 and 2023)
- **Stakeholder Engagement**
 - Attended various annual Farm Bureau, 4-H and FFA events
 - NIFA-APLU Climate Change Task Force, 2022-23

- Developed a White Paper to guide future USDA-NIFA research related to climate change
 - Presented “Changes in the Herbert College of Agriculture”, Pick TN Conference, Franklin, TN, 2022
 - Worked with genetic engineering industry and seed companies
 - Deregulation of Roundup® resistant creeping bentgrass, 2017
 - Research and outreach efforts began in 2000 with U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and multiple seed companies
 - Invited educational presentations
 - “Post-secondary education for the circular bioeconomy in agriculture and natural resources”, NSF funded program, Buenos Aires, Argentina, 2022
 - “Trends and projections of college-bound students: Opportunities for recruitment”, Crop Science Society of America, Baltimore, MD, 2022
- **Facilities**
 - Co-proposed \$50 million urban research and outreach facility, 2025
 - *Expanded proposal being developed following initial support*
 - Search committee – Assistant Vice Chancellor Facilities Planning & Design, 2023-2024
 - University Classroom Upgrade committee, 2019-present
 - Proposed new food service space, 2019
 - *Opens March 2025*
 - Agriculture and Natural Resources building planning committee, 2018-2022
 - Space Committee-Institute of Agriculture, 2011-present
 - Initiated ~\$50,000 of Dean’s office space renovations
- **Professional Development**
 - Food Systems Leadership Institute, Association of Public & Land Grant Universities, 2023-present
 - Leadership training for future provosts, chancellors, and presidents
 - Designed for LEAD 21 Fellows (graduates)
 - Project: Increase transfer students to UT via novel agreements
 - Tennessee Executive Leadership Institute, 2018-2019
 - Training for future executive leaders in the UT System

2011- **Assistant Dean-Academic Affairs and Professor, Herbert College of Agriculture,**
 2015 **University of Tennessee, Knoxville**

- **Led development and implementation of college’s Strategic Plan, 2013-2020**
 - Achieved goal of increasing 1st year retention: 84% (2014) to 93% (2023)
 - Achieved goal of increasing 6 yr graduation rate: 71.8% (2013 cohort) to 77.4% (2018 cohort; campus rate in 2018 was only 73.9%)
 - Achieved goal of increasing PhD enrollment from 83 in 2015 to 102 in 2019
 - Achieved goal of developing alternative revenue streams
 - Campus Creamery, opened 2023
 - Achieved goal of enhancing student communication skills
 - Most departments installed communications as a SACS accreditation learning outcome by 2017
- **Budgets and Personnel Oversight**
 - Balanced the College FY2015 budget during a sudden fiscal emergency
 - Described budget impact to affected department, Provost, and Chancellor

- Promoted to Associate Dean as a consequence
 - Developed college's annual budget and academic program report for Provost
 - Analyzed data to show efficiency of college's operations
 - Secured funding from Provost's office for 5 lecturers
 - Developed metrics and parameters to use when approving requests for faculty positions, 2014 (revised in 2019 and 2020)
 - Instituted the practice of having minutes for department head meetings (2012)
 - Started the professional advising program in Herbert
 - Acquired \$55,000 from Provost and hired a Director of Advising (2012)
 - Hired three professional advisors over the next three years using salary savings without diverting funds from department faculty positions
 - Freed up faculty time away from advising to increase research effort
- **Strengthened educational programs**
 - Started the College's Professional Advisor Program (2012-current)
 - Research productivity increased by reducing faculty-student advising
 - External funding increased 43% from 2020 to 2024 (*multiple reasons*)
 - Created 6 advisor positions via University funds and salary savings
 - Retention rates increased from 85.8% in 2015 to over 92% in 2024
 - Created Undergraduate Research course in all departments
 - 48 faculty mentored over 50 undergraduate student researchers by 2022
 - Developed assessments for all College academic programs to meet regional (SACS-COC) accreditation requirements, 2013-2015
 - Oversaw faculty credentialing for accreditation 2013-2022 in collaboration with Provost's office
 - Developed undergraduate research mentoring award for faculty, 2014
 - 10 faculty received the award by 2024
- **Oversaw college's undergraduate and graduate academic councils**
 - 50-100 curriculum changes annually
- **Research**
 - Grants
 - Documenting water use of turfgrasses in the United States. J. Stier, K. Kopp, E. Watkins, M. Elmore, J. Henderson, J. Baird. Turfgrass Producers International. 7/1/15-6/30/18. \$66,197.
 - Improving roadside seed mixture establishment. M. Renz and J. Stier. Wisc. Dept. Transportation. 1/1/14-12/31/16. \$67,476.
 - Four refereed manuscripts published (all led by colleagues or students)
 - Honors & Awards
 - Martin and Ruth Massengale Lectureship, "Turfgrass, Society and the Environment", Agronomy Society America & Crop Science Society of America Annual Meeting, Cincinnati, OH 2012
 - Distinguished scientist who's made significant contributions to new & innovative research in crops, turfgrass, or forages
- **Professional Development**
 - LEAD 21, 2014-2015
 - National leadership training by Association of Public & Land Grant Universities
 - SEC Academic Development Leadership Program, 2012-2013

- University of Tennessee (System) Leadership Institute, Gatlinburg, TN, 2013

2005-2011 **Chair, Department of Horticulture, University of Wisconsin-Madison** (2008-2011; Co-Acting Chair 2005-2007)

- **Budget oversight**
 - Responsible for department's ~ \$10 million budget
 - Absorbed annual 1-5% budget cuts without cutting faculty positions
 - Used faculty advisory committee to develop decisions on cuts
 - Endowments
 - Participated in multiple donor visits
 - Achieved two endowed graduate Fellowships and one scholarship
 - Reviewed endowments regularly with UW Foundation to ensure usage or reinvestment to principle
 - Developed guidelines for endowed Gottschalk Family Cranberry Professorship
- **Personnel oversight**
 - Resolved 3 cases of personnel with mental health difficulties
 - Organized staff rotation among 3 faculty programs to overcome personnel issues
 - Resolved 2 lawsuits involving faculty intellectual property
 - Ended a long-term feud between two highly productive and competing faculty
 - Worked with USDA rules and regulations for federally-funded staff and faculty
 - Promoted 1 assistant professor to associate professor with tenure
 - Hired 2 faculty
 - Hired administrative assistant
 - Instituted social events to boost morale during budget cuts
 - Developed step-by-step guidelines to explain promotion & tenure process to assistant professors
- **Advancement and Stakeholder engagement**
 - Worked with Wisconsin Potato & Vegetable Growers Association to revise oversight of the state's Potato Improvement Program
 - Worked with multiple Green Industry groups to endow three Graduate Fellowships (\$2 million value)
 - Worked with Wisconsin Cranberry Growers Association and lobbyist on Farm Bill to develop Cranberry Research Station
- **Assisted Dean's office**
 - Co-led successful change to convert multiple degree programs to single degree
 - Required multiple department meetings to convene all-faculty vote
 - Secured funding (~\$50,000) from University to begin professional advising for pre-professional students in the College
 - Chaired College curriculum committee
- **Professional Development**
 - Department Executive Officer Workshop, Big 10 Academic Alliance, Chicago, IL, 2010
 - Joseph F. Kauffman Administrative Development Program, Univ. Wisconsin-Madison, 2008-09
 - Leadership training focused on units and processes of the campus
 - Women in Science and Engineering Leadership Institute, 2008

- National Science Foundation Program to develop gender equity in academia; I was the first male in the Wisconsin program
- Donor Relations and Stewardship workshops, Univ. of Wisconsin Foundation, 2007
- OMB Grants and Contracts Training, Univ. of Wisconsin, 2006

1997- **Professor (2008), Associate Professor (2005), Assistant Professor (1997) of Horticulture, University of Wisconsin-Madison**

- **Administration**

- Research-Extension Leader O.J. Noer Research & Educational Facility
 - Coordinated faculty projects and field research space assignments
 - Worked with faculty and Ag Experiment Station staff for grounds and building maintenance
 - Worked with Ag Experiment Station leadership and faculty to finance operations
 - Secured average ~ \$75,000/yr new equipment and products

- **Research**

- 41 refereed journal articles (61 total career; full list upon request)
 - 13 with undergraduate or graduate student as 1st author*. Examples include:
 - *Garrison, M.A., and J.C. Stier. 2010. Cool-season turfgrass colony and seed survival in a restored prairie. *Crop Sci.* 50:345-356. *Selected by Crop Science Society of America for promotion in Research Highlight program.*
 - *Hollman, A., M.D. Casler, J.C. Stier, G. Jung, and L. Brilman. 2005. Identification of putative velvet bentgrass clones using RAPD markers. *Crop Sci.* 45:923-930.
 - Stier, J.C., D.L. Filiault, and J.P. Palta. 2003. Visualization of freezing progression in turfgrasses using infrared video thermography. *Crop Sci.* 43:415-420.
- 3 book chapters
- 12 invited papers in conference proceedings
- 48 national/international conference presentations
- 10 invited research presentations, including
 - “Impact of Buffers on Nutrient Transport”, New Jersey Nutrient Management of Urban and Suburban Landscapes for Surface and Ground Waters, Rutgers EcoComplex, Bordentown, NJ, 13 May 2010.
Impact: The state of New Jersey used the information in development of statewide nutrient application regulations effective 2011
- Developed online journal *Applied Turfgrass Science* (now *Crop, Forage & Turfgrass Management* <https://access.onlinelibrary.wiley.com/journal/23743832/journal-metrics>), 2002
- Associate Editor *Crop Science* journal 2004-2006, 2007-2009
- Administrative Advisor for North Central Education & Research Activity (NCERA)
 - Developed successful proposal for new NCERA-221 program (2011)
 - Developed NCERA-192 goals for 2006-2011, approved by USDA-NIFA
 - Organized and reported on 5 multi-state projects with 9 land grant universities to reduce pesticide and nutrient impacts and invasive species

- Multiple publications from 9 land grant researchers resulted
 - Coordinated timing of annual field days across 9 land grant universities
- Grants and external funding
 - Competitive (national): \$1.5 million (\$1.2 million to my program)
 - Examples:
 - USDA-Specialty Crops Research Initiative. 2008-2012. Increasing the economic and environmental sustainability of sod production using biosolids. D.J. Soldat, J. Stier, J. Kerns, E. Ervin, G. Evanylo, C. Kome, P. Mitchell, R.C. Williamson, R. Wolkowski, \$485,085
 - USDA-CSREES. 2006-2007. Landscaping for better water resources, Part II. J. Stier, \$48,785
 - State: \$134,070
 - Examples:
 - Wisconsin Dept. of Transportation. Identifying low maintenance, invasive-resistant roadside seed mixtures. 2011-2015. J. Stier and M. Renz, \$49,600
 - Wisconsin Dept. of Agriculture. 1999-2001. Quantification of pesticide runoff from urban landscapes. J. Stier and R.C. Williamson, \$84,470
 - Industry grants and gifts: \$463,400
 - Examples:
 - Wisconsin Golf Course Superintendents Association. Velvet bentgrass for sustainable Midwestern golf courses. 2007. J. Stier, \$18,000
 - Cargill Inc. Turf stress from deicing agents. 2002. J. Stier, \$10,875
- Graduate and undergraduate research student mentoring
 - Completed 2 PhD, 11 Masters students as major advisor (all grant-funded)
 - Served on committees for 15 PhD, 14 Masters students
 - Mentored 1 international research intern (China)
- **Extension**
 - Collaborations with state agencies
 - Dept. of Agriculture, Trade & Consumer Protection
 - Developed and produced Wisconsin K-12 School Integrated Pest Management (IPM) program in collaboration with
 - 75% of Wisconsin's K-12 school districts received training and adopted IPM practices to reduce pesticide use
 - \$8,500 US Dept. Agriculture grant for video of School IPM to counties
 - Dept. of Natural Resources
 - Water quality improvement
 - Co-authored state's Nutrient Management rules
 - Developed training program to help Green Industry professionals comply with new state nutrient management rules
 - Invasive species
 - Co-authored or reviewed multiple profiles on real or potential invasive plants
 - Dept. of Transportation
 - Wrote rules for seeding vegetation along state roads
 - Wrote rules for sod selection and management along state roadsides
 - Developed 1st economic impact survey of Wisconsin's \$1 billion turf industry, 1999-2001

- Raised \$100,000 in gifts to hire Agricultural Statistics Service
 - Presented to State Legislators, 2001
 - Used results to justify a faculty hire and help faculty secure multiple grants
 - Catalyzed a \$130,000 industry-funded grant to evaluate economic impact of the landscape industry
- Radio show “Garden Talk” monthly during summer
 - 340,000 listeners in Midwest
- Train county Extension agents
 - ~ 10 new agents trained/year
- Continuing Education Programs
 - Turfgrass Short Course
 - 30 industry members received equivalent of one 3-credit hour course
 - Generated \$19,500 revenue/year
 - University of Minnesota joined as co-host, 2008
 - Nutrient Management Planning
 - Required by law for fertilizer application to > 5 acres
 - ~ 300 industry leaders/year
 - Coordinated pesticide applicator training for ~ 5,000 people/year
 - Held ~ 20 Master Gardener training events/year, ~500 people/year
 - Hosted Professional Grounds Maintenance Short Course
 - Attended by ~400 industry professionals/year
- Grew prestige and quality of sports fields and managers
 - Regular consultant for Lambeau Field and other stadia
 - Co-founded Wisconsin Sports Turf Managers Association, 1998
 - 2,600 members by 2024
- Wrote 211 Extension publications (refereed & industry journals, Extension bulletins)
- Gave 66 mass media interviews (TV, radio)
- Provided ~140 invited presentations in 14 states
- Eight grants for Extension programs totaling \$304,000
- Examples of other impacts
 - Authored roadside sod and seed mixtures specifications for Wisconsin Department of Transportation, 2002, 2011
 - Co-authored nutrient management guidelines for Wisconsin’s Dept. of Natural Resources Rule 151, 2008
 - Determined designation of various plant species as invasive for Wisconsin’s Dept. of Natural Resources, 2010-2011
- **College instruction**
 - Developed 3 new courses
 - Taught 2-3 courses/year
 - Advised ~ 20 undergraduates/year in Horticulture & Pre-Professional programs
 - Advised Badger Turf & Grounds club
 - Mentored 8 honors thesis/undergraduate student researchers
 - Coordinated ~ 10 internships for students/year
 - Completed 2 PhD and 13 Masters students as major advisor
- **Awards**
 - Excellence in Research Award, College of Agricultural & Life Sciences-Agricultural Research Stations, Univ. Wisconsin-Madison, 2011

- Funded and conducted research at multiple research stations
- Robert G. and Hazel T. Spitze Land Grant Outstanding Faculty Award, College of Agricultural & Life Sciences and School of Human Ecology, Univ. Wisconsin-Madison, 2010
 - Awarded for excellence in teaching, research, Extension, and service
- Recognition for School Integrated Pest Management Extension Program, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 2003
- Excellence in Research Award, Seed Research of Oregon, 2002
 - Company changed national lawn seed mixtures based on my research (they supply Mayo Garden Centers)
- Glen Pound Extension Award, UW-College of Agricultural and Life Sciences, April 2002
 - Awarded to outstanding young to mid-career extension specialist

1992- **Research Assistant (100% FTE), Department of Crop and Soil Sciences, Michigan State University**

- Built and managed world's 1st portable and indoor grass sport field
 - Spent \$1.1 million in construction plus labor
 - 1993: Used for 1 game in U.S. Cup, 1 game U.S. women international match
 - World Cup 1994: Four games
 - \$120 million local economic impact
 - Described as one of Michigan's top 100 events from 1671-1994 in book "It Happened in Michigan", C. Burcar, 2019
 - Set stage for grant from FIFA World Cup '26 for \$3.1 million + \$2.4 million research facility with University of Tennessee in 2022
- Constructed world's first controlled environment building for turfgrass
 - Spent \$500,000 (state of Michigan grant)
 - Employed and mentored 8 student workers, 1992-94
 - One became a Distinguished Professor at University of Tennessee, one became an Associate Dean for Faculty Affairs at Michigan State University
 - Conducted >24 projects to learn how to manage grass indoors
 - Generated 3 refereed journal articles
 - Instigated numerous funded studies for next five years
 - 2 PhD students conducted their dissertation work in the building

Education

1997 Ph.D., Crop and Soil Sciences, Michigan State University
 1991 M.S., Plant Pathology, The Ohio State University
 1988 B.S., Agriculture, The Ohio State University
 1984 A.A.S., Laboratory Technology, Agricultural Technical Institute-The Ohio State University

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Projections of College-Bound Students Bring Challenges & Opportunities for Recruitment. Crop Science Society of America conference, Baltimore, MD, 6-9 November 2022

From World Cup Soccer to the Environment and Back Again-A Journey of Turfgrass Science, Dept. Agronomy & Horticulture, Univ. Nebraska-Lincoln. 1 April 2022.

Lawns, Society & Our Environment. UT Science Forum, Knoxville, TN. 4 February 2022.

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Genesis Evolving: New genetic modification techniques and their impact on regulation and policy, Biotechnology Literacy Project, Univ. California-Davis, Davis, CA, 1-3 June 2015

Turfgrass, Society, and the Environment. Plant Sciences Dept., University of Missouri, Columbia, MO, 23 October 2013

Insecticide runoff from simulated lawn and driveway surfaces. 244th American Chemical Soc. National Meeting and Exposition, Philadelphia, PA, 19-23 August 2012

Impact of Buffers on Nutrient Transport, New Jersey Nutrient Management of Urban and Suburban Landscapes for Surface and Ground Waters, Rutgers EcoComplex, Bordentown, NJ, 13 May 2010. **Impact: Document produced from the summit was used in development of NJ nutrient application regulations effective 2011.**

Rain Gardens, Urban Runoff, and Groundwater Recharge. College of Biological and Environmental Sciences, Rutgers University, New Brunswick, NJ, 11 January 2010

Environmental impact of turf, urban prairie and rain gardens on water quality and groundwater recharge. Univ. Illinois Dept. Natural Resources and Environmental Sciences, Urbana, IL, 16 March 2009

Measuring cold stress responses in turfgrass, Amer. Soc. Hort. Sci. annual conference, Scottsdale, AZ, 16-18 July 2007

Understanding and managing environmental stresses of turfgrass, 27th International Horticulture Congress, Seoul, South Korea, 13-19 Aug. 2006

Peer-review process and merits of scientific publications, Felly Seminar Series, ASA/CSSA/SSSA, Madison, WI, 25 Aug. 2006

Invasiveness of amenity grasses in the continental United States, Southern Weed Sci. Soc. Conf., San Antonio, TX, 23-25 Jan. 2006

Fairway buffer strips at Wisconsin River Golf Club, United States Golf Assoc. annual meeting, St. Paul, MN, 21-23 June 2005

Research on invasiveness of amenity grasses into natural areas, Crop Science Soc. of America, C-5 Division, Symposium on invasive grasses, ASA/CSSA/SSSA conf., Salt Lake City, UT, 6-10 Nov. 2005

Weed science and invasive species concerns for biotechnology-derived grasses, Council for Agriculture, Science, and Technology and USDA Perennial Grass Biotech Workshop, Baltimore, MD, 9-10 January 2003

Competitive grants

External grants (since promotion to associate professor)

FIFA 2026 World Cup Soccer-Extended. Federation Internationale de Football Association (FIFA) \$1.1 million. J.C. Sorochan and J.C. Stier. 2025-2026.

Broadband-enabled precision agriculture: 5G in turfgrass science and education. Greig, J.A., J. C. Stier, J.C. Sorochan, S.I. Ruoti, J. Weinhandl, E.T. Parker, C. Furst, B.J. DeLozier, A. Hill, R. Rutledge, A. Albrecht, S. Wilson, C. Weems. 2023. Univ. Tennessee-AT & T. 9/1/23-8/31/25. \$75,000.

FIFA 2026 World Cup Soccer Project. Federation Internationale de Football Association (FIFA). J.C. Sorochan and J.C. Stier. 2022-2024. \$5.5 million. Award included construction of \$2.4 million controlled environment research building.

Stay in the game: First quarter, Increasing participation of diverse populations in the plant sciences using turfgrass science as an entry point. USDA-NIFA Higher Education Challenge Grant. Horvath, B., J. Sorochan, and J. Stier. 12/15/18-12/31/19. \$11,596

Strengthening US agriculture with multidisciplinary international undergraduate research and extension experiences. USDA-NIFA. Willcox, A., J. Stier, E. Willcox, W. Giuliano, D. Butler, D. Hodges, L. Watine, A. Kaeser, M. Andreu, T. Gill, R. Manzanero, J. Ricketts, O. Bolden-Tiller. 10/1/16-9/30/19. \$281,236.

Documenting water use for turfgrasses in the United States. J. Stier, K. Kopp, E. Watkins, M. Elmore, J. Henderson, J. Baird. Turfgrass Producers International. 7/1/15-6/30/18. \$66,197.

Improving roadside seed mixture establishment. M. Renz and J. Stier. Wisc. Dept. Transportation. 1/1/14-12/31/16. \$67,476.

Identifying low maintenance, invasive-resistant roadside seed mixtures. J. Stier and M. Renz. Wisc. Dept. Transportation. 1/1/11-12/31/15. \$49,600.

Perennial ryegrass cultivar evaluation. J. Stier. National Turfgrass Evaluation Program. 9/1/10-10/1/15. \$8,500.

Sustainable urban landscape management for Wisconsin. D. Soldat, J. Stier, V. Pandian, K. Krokowski. USDA-CSREES. 5/1/10-4/30/11. \$31,335.

Increasing the economic and environmental sustainability of sod production using biosolids. D.J. Soldat, J. Stier, J. Kerns, E. Ervin, G. Evanylo, C. Kome, P. Mitchell, R.C. Williamson, R. Wolkowski. USDA-Specialty Crops Research Initiative. 10/1/08-10/1/12. \$485,085.

Bentgrass fairway cultivar evaluation. J. Stier. National Turfgrass Evaluation Program. 9/1/08-10/1/13. \$10,000.

Fine fescue fairway cultivar evaluation. J. Stier. National Turfgrass Evaluation Program. 9/1/08-10/1/13. \$10,000.

Degradation rate of the fungicides chlorothalonil and iprodione in the absence of snow cover for the control of *Microdochium* patch on turfgrass, P. Koch, J. Stier, and C. Grau. Golf Course Superintendents Association of America. 3/1/08-2/28/10. \$16,000.

Landscaping for better water resources, Part II. J. Stier. USDA-CSREES. 9/1/06-8/31/07.

\$48,785.

Tall fescue cultivar evaluation for home lawns. J.Stier. National Turfgrass Evaluation Program. 9/1/06-10/1/12. \$12,500.

2005 Kentucky bluegrass cultivar test. National Turfgrass Evaluation Program. J. Stier. 9/1/05-10/1/11. \$23,760.

Management systems for velvet bentgrass. Northern Great Lakes Golf Course Superintendents Association. J. Stier. \$3,000. 4/1/06-10/30/06.

Velvet bentgrass research for sustainable Midwestern golf courses. J. Stier. Wisconsin Golf Course Superintendents Association. 3/1/06-2/28/07. \$18,000.

2005 Kentucky bluegrass cultivar test. National Turfgrass Evaluation Program. J. Stier. 9/1/05-10/1/11. \$23,760.

2005 Kentucky bluegrass cultivar test for fairways subjected to golf cart traffic J. Stier. National Turfgrass Evaluation Program. 9/1/05-10/1/11. \$23,760.

Sustainable turf management and water use. USDA-CSREES. J.Stier. \$38,600. 6/1/05-5/31/06.

2004 Perennial ryegrass cultivar evaluation for home lawns. National Turfgrass Evaluation Program. J. Stier. 9/1/04-8/30/09. \$15,000.

2003 Bentgrass cultivar evaluation for putting greens. J. Stier. National Turfgrass Evaluation Program. 8/1/03-10/1/08. \$12,000.

2003 Bentgrass cultivar evaluation for fairways. J. Stier. National Turfgrass Evaluation Program. 8/1/03-10/1/08. \$14,000.

2003 Fine fescue cultivar evaluation for fairways. J.Stier. National Turfgrass Evaluation Program. 9/1/03-10/1/08. \$15,000.

Reducing pesticide use and risk in urban landscapes. U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. E.A. Bird and J.C. Stier. \$40,000. 9/15/03-9/14/05.

Turf stress from deicing agents. Cargill Inc. J. Stier. \$3,000.12/1/04-6/1/05.

Velvet bentgrass management for putting greens Wisconsin Golf Course Superintendents Association. J. Stier. \$7,500. 4/1/05-12/31/05.

Development and testing of “Metromix”: A premium biosolid material for nursery, turf, and horticultural use. Dane County, WI. R. Wolkowski, B. Lowery, and J. Stier. 3/1/06-5/31/08. \$70,000.

Turf stress from deicing agents. Cargill Inc. J. Stier. \$3,000.12/1/04-6/1/05.

Turf phytotoxicity from liquid deicers. Cargill, Inc. J. Stier. \$3,000. 12/1/03-6/1/04.

Evaluation of seeded cellulose mats for turf establishment. Blue-Yellow Corp. J. Stier. \$10,000. 6/1/04-9/30/05.

Velvet bentgrass for low input putting greens Wisconsin Golf Course Superintendents Assoc. J. Stier. \$8,000. 4/1/04-12/30/04.

Cold tolerance of tall fescue. Wisconsin Turfgrass Association. J. Stier. \$7,500. 3/1/03-2/28/04.

Interaction of fungicide and plant growth regulators on shaded turf. Bayer. J Stier and J. Gregos. \$8,150. 5/1/03-9/30/03.

Cold tolerance of tall fescue Wisconsin Turfgrass Association.. J. Stier. \$7,500. 3/1/03-2/28/04.

Buffer strips and fairway runoff at Wisconsin River Golf Course. Northern Great Lakes Golf Course Superintendents Association. J. Stier. \$7,500. 3/1/03-2/19/06.

Vegetative buffer types and sizes for controlling fairway runoff. United States Golf Association. J. Stier and W. Kussow. 2/1/03-1/31/06; \$36,145.

Internal University Grants (since promotion to associate professor)

Alternative sod production species for mitigating global climate change through reduced

greenhouse gas emissions. J. Stier. UW-Hatch. 10/1/11-9/30/15. \$179,322.
Do biosolid additions to sod production fields enhance soil carbon storage? Stier, J., and D.J. Soldat. UW-Hatch. 10/1/10-9/31/12. \$55,970.
Low temperature nitrogen uptake in grasses. Interdisciplinary Hatch. University of Wisconsin College of Agricultural and Life Sciences. D. Soldat and J. Stier. UW-Hatch. 10/1/08-9/30/11. \$81,797.
Are sod farms a source for invasive grasses into natural areas? J. Stier. UW-Hatch. 10/1/06-9/30/10. \$106,105.

Non-competitive funding: ~ \$1.5 million since 1997

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Publications

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Other

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Videos/DVDs

Crises Communications, Golf Course Superintendents Association of America Annual Conference, 2015
Why Should a Student Come to UW-Madison to Study Horticulture, YouTube, 1 Sept. 2009 (<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=luNgi7pZWxw>)
Turfgrass Research and Education at the University of Wisconsin-Madison” produced by Epic Communications, Milwaukee, WI, and displayed on TurfNet, a national on-line and printed newsletter, 22 July 2008
Pesticide Applicator Training video, Category 3.0 Turf and Ornamentals, 30 January 2004
Environmental impacts of turf in the urban environment. TV/video production with EPIC of Wisconsin. 27 July 2004.

Interviews, printed (35 since 2003)

TurfNews, Effects of phosphorus bans on water quality, 12 Nov. 2009
Capitol Times newspaper (Madison, WI): Pesticide toxicity, 29 June 2009
Spring lawn care, Chicago Tribune, 16 Apr 2008 printing
Rain gardens for backyard water management, Bob Villa website, 7 Feb. 2008.
Impact of fertilizer use restrictions, Club, Resort & Business Mgt, 25 Jan 2007
Organic turf possibilities and practicalities, CALS communications, 13 Apr 2007
Pesticide-free golf courses, Capitol Times newspaper, 18 Apr 2007
Rain gardens and the urban environment, UW communications, 8 May 2007
Organic fertilizers for turf care, Wisconsin State Journal newspaper, 9 May 2007
Sustainable lawn care, Real Simple magazine, 18 May 2007
International Turf Field Day at the O.J. Noer Turfgrass Facility, Country Day news, 26 July 2007
Prairie plantings effects when used around detention ponds in subdivisions, Post Crescent Newspaper (Appleton, WI), 19 Oct 2007
Impact of turf phosphorus fertilizer ban, Lakeland Times, Oneida, WI, 7 Feb. 2006
Phosphorus sources and fertilizers effect on lake water quality, Oshkosh Press, 2 May 2006
Phosphorus ban impact on the turf industry, UW Business News Wire, 15 June 2006
Turf management, ILC magazine, 5 July 2006
Plotting lawn needs: Agriculture agent starts lawn grass demonstration plots.

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 Pesticide use at Deforest Schools, Wisconsin State J., 28 January 2004.
 Where the rubber meets the greens. Golf Inc., January 2004.
 Crumb rubber for putting green construction. Wisconsin Golfer, 4 February 2004.
 Managing shaded lawns. The Landsculptor, 11 February 2004.
 Organic lawn care. UNG Publications/Dane Cty newspapers, 19 March 2004.
 Lawn fertilizers and phosphorus runoff. Wisconsin State J., 24 March 2004.
 Answers to common lawn questions. TurfNews. 25 May 2004.
 Summer management for winter greens survival. Wisconsin Golfer. 25 May 2004.
 Organic lawn care. Martha Stewart Living. 1 July 2004.
 Low maintenance golf turf. Journal Times newspaper (Racine, WI). 19 November 2004.
 Environmental issues, Wisconsin State Journal, 30 April 2003.
 Crumb rubber to reduce contaminated leachate, Wisconsin Week, 18 September 2003.
 Phosphorus and runoff from turf, Isthmus newspaper, 7 November 2003.
 Phosphorus fertilizer ban, Daily Cardinal newspaper, 8 December 2003.
 Improving yard soils, Backyard Living Magazine, 15 December 2003.

Radio programming: 21 radio shows since 2003

Television interviews: 5 since 2003

Single event presentations (since 2003)

165, including 46 out of state (IL, CO, SD, TN, OH, MO, MI, IA, AZ, CA, MN, PA, KS, IN)

Continuing Education Programs

How to Manage Turf in Shade, Golf Course Superintendents Association of America Annual Conference, 2012-14, 2016

NR 151 Nutrient Management Plan Development Training: 6 sessions 2007-2010

School of Turfgrass Management: February 2003, 2004, 2005, 2006, 2007, 2008

Pesticide Applicator Training: 5 sessions annually, ~ 500 persons/yr, 1997-2011

Master Gardner Training: 2 distance education sessions/yr, ~ 500 persons/yr, 1997-2011

Professional Grounds Maintenance Short Course: 2-6 sessions/yr, ~ 150-400 persons/yr, 1997-2011

Special Events with Wisconsin Alumni Association

Made in Wisconsin, 23 May 2009

Grandparents University, 16-17 July 2009 (turf for grandchildren/grandparents)

Service

State (WI)

Dept. Natural Resources

- Species Assessment Group for invasive species rule, 2008-2011
- Nutrient Management, technical guidelines development committee, 2004-06

Dept. of Transportation

- Revised sodding specifications, 2002

- Revising seeding specifications, 2010-2012

Dept. of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection

- School IPM advisory board, 1998-2002

University

Univ. Tennessee System Committees

Peer Selection Committee, 2017

Diversity and Climate Committee, 2016-2017

Cumulative Performance Review (post-tenure) Committee, 2015-2017

Univ. Tennessee, Knoxville Committees and Task Forces (partial list)

Chair, Search Committee, Assistant Dean for College of Emerging & Collaborative Studies, 2024

Search Committee, Asst Vice-Chancellor Facilities Services, 2024

College of Emerging & Collaborative Studies Advisory Committee, 2022-present

University Colleges Restructuring Committee, 2021-2022

Honors and Scholars Committee, 2020-2022

Timetable Task Force, 2020

Re-imagining Fall Task Force, 2020

Chair, SACS 9.1 accreditation subcommittee, 2019-2020

Chair, Associate Dean for College of Communications and Information Search Committee, 2019

Policies & Procedures Revisions Task Force, 2019

Classroom Upgrade Committee, 2018-present

Chair, International Admissions Director Search Committee, 2018

Provost Search Committee, 2017

SACS Accreditation-Reaffirmation Committee, 2013-2015

Service Learning Steering Committee, 2014

Summer School Task Force, 2013

General Education Committee, 2011-present

Graduate Associate Deans group, 2011-present

Graduate Council, 2011-present

Undergraduate Council, 2011-present

Undergraduate Associate Deans group, 2011-present

Enrollment Management Committee, 2011-2015

Transfer Student Task Force, 2011-2013

Undergraduate Advisors Leadership Group, 2011-2012

Univ. Tennessee Institute of Agriculture Committees and Task Forces

Gardens Education Building Planning Committee, 2020-present

Member, Associate Dean for College of Veterinary Medicine Search Committee, 2020

UTIA-UTK Reunification Committee (Co-chair Student Services subcommittee), 2020

Bylaws Committee, 2019-present

Energy and Environmental Science Building Planning Committee, 2018-2022

Chair, Promotion & Tenure Committee Oversight 2017-2022; Member since 2011

Search Committee, Director Sponsored Programs, 2017

Search Committee, Associate Dean-AgResearch, 2016

Conflict of Interest Committee 2014-present

Search Committee, Director Smith Center for International Agriculture, 2014

Informational Technology Security Working Group, 2013-present
International Advisory Committee 2013-2014
Chair, Associate Dean-Academics College of Veterinary Medicine Search Committee, 2013
Information Technology Security Committee 2012-present
Space Committee 2011-present

University of Wisconsin, Madison Committees

Member, College Agricultural & Life Sciences Dean Review, 2010
Member, UW System Extension Council Executive Committee, 2008-2011
Member, UW System Extension Council 2004-2011
Co-chair, UW Extension Urban Horticulture Extension Team, 2004-06
Co-chair, Environmental Committee of Urban Horticulture Extension Team, 1999-2005.
Representative, Faculty Senate, 2003-06
Chair, University Ridge Golf Course Research Committee, 1999-2003

University of Wisconsin-Madison College of Agricultural and Life Sciences/College of Extension

Chair, CALS Curriculum Committee, 2009-2011
Chair, Pound Extension Award Committee, 2007-2011
Member, Associate Dean Extension's Consultative Advisory Committee, 2009-2011
Member, Curriculum Committee 2004-present
Member, Honorary Recognition Committee, 2008-2010
Member, CALS Awards Committee 2007-2009
Member, Pound Extension Award Committee 2003-06
Member, Hatch Review Committee 2006
Member, Steenbock Library Committee, 2002-04
Member, Pesticide Applicator Training Steering Committee, 1999-2011

University of Wisconsin-Madison, Department and Interdepartmental

Chair, Curriculum Committee, 2007-2008
Chair, Jed Colquhoun Mentoring Committee, 2005-06
Chair, Weed Ecologist Search & Screen Committee, 2004-05
Chair, Johanne Brunet Mentoring Committee, 2004-05
Chair, Extension Committee, Dept. of Horticulture, 2001-06
Co-chair of Department of Horticulture, Oct. 2005-March 2006
Member, Mentoring Committee for Jim Kerns (Plant Pathology), 2008-2011
Member, Mentoring Committee for Doug Soldat (Soil Science), 2007-2011
Member, Extension Committee, Dept. of Horticulture, 2007-2011
Member, Greenhouse Manager Search & Screen Committee, 2006
Member, Green Industry Short Course Development *ad hoc* Committee, 2006
Member, Vice-Kussow Search & Screen Committee (Soil Science Dept.), 2005-2007
Member, Promotion Screening Committee, 2005-2011
Member, *ad hoc*, Awards Committee 2005-07 (coordinated undergraduate scholarships)
Member, Gottschalk Endowed Chair Review Committee, 2002-2011
Member, Buildings Committee, Dept. of Horticulture, 2001-2011
Member, Chair's Advisory and Long-Range Planning Committee, Dept. of Horticulture, 2001-present
Member, Turfgrass Scholarship Program Committee, 1997-2011
Member, Curriculum Committee, Dept. of Horticulture, 1997-2006

Professional Service

Appointments or Elections to Editorial Boards.

Technical editor, European Turfgrass Society Conference, Amsterdam, Holland, 2020

Technical editor, European Turfgrass Society Conference, Manchester, England, 2018

Associate editor, Golf Industry journal, 2009-2011

Associate editor, Crop Science journal: 2004-2006 (1st term); 2007-2009 (2nd term)

Editor-in-chief, International Horticultural Society, Acta Horticulturae, 2nd International Sports Turf Mgt Confer., 25-28 June 2007, Beijing, China.

Manuscript Reviewer (2011-present)

Agronomy, Agronomy Journal, Applied Turfgrass Science, Crop Science, HortScience, HortTechnology, Journal of Environmental Management, International Turfgrass Society Journal, Physiologia Plantarum, Weed Science, Weed Technology

Committees

Chair, Environmental Quality Section, Agronomy Society of America, 2017

Vice-chair, Environmental Quality Section, Agronomy Society of America, 2016

Scientific Advisory Committee, Agronomy/Crops/Soil Science Society of America, 2008-2012

Chair, C-5 Division of Crop Science Society of America (turfgrass), 2007-08

Chair, NC-ERA 192 (turfgrass), 2007

Fellows Committee, Crop Science Society of America, 2006-07

Wisconsin Dept. Natural Resources Species Assessment Group, 2007-2011

Wisconsin Dept. Natural Resources Turfgrass Nutrient Management

By-laws Committee, Sports Turf Managers Association of America, 2004-06

Education Committee, Sports Turf Managers Association of America, 2004-06

Current Issues Committee, C-5 Division of Crop Science Society of America, 2004

Turfgrass Electronic Journal Committee, C-5 Division of Crop Science Society of America, 2002-2003

Board member, Wisconsin Sports Turf Managers Association, 1999-2011