



FLORIDA AGRICULTURAL AND MECHANICAL UNIVERSITY



COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE AND FOOD SCIENCES

GRADUATE STUDENT HANDBOOK

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THE GRADUATE DEGREE PROGRAMS
COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE AND FOOD SCIENCES (CAFS)

Policies and Procedures

These policies and procedures are put forth by the graduate faculty of the College of Agriculture and Food Sciences as a guide for graduate students. Graduate students should also familiarize themselves with the University regulations (<http://www.famu.edu/index.cfm?a=regulations>) and the University General Catalogue (<http://catalog.famu.edu/index.php?catoid=4>) and Graduate School Policies ([http://www.famu.edu/graduatestudies/Graduate%20Policies%20and%20Procedures%205.4.16\(2\).pdf](http://www.famu.edu/graduatestudies/Graduate%20Policies%20and%20Procedures%205.4.16(2).pdf)) as these take precedence. It is not the intent of this publication to repeat those policies and information that are set by the University or in the general catalogue, but rather to provide those policies and procedures that are specific to the Graduate programs of the college. All forms required for your graduate degree can be found at the School of Graduate Studies and Research (<http://www.famu.edu/index.cfm?graduatestudies&StudentForms>).

I. ADMISSION

1. General

- A. For consideration for admission into the graduate program in College of Agriculture and Food Sciences (CAFS), an applicant must:
- i) Have a baccalaureate or a master's degree in a related field from an accredited college or university;
 - ii) Present official scores of the Graduate Record Examination (GRE) taken within the last two years. A minimum scores of 300 the combined verbal and quantitative portions, or/and a minimum GPA of 3.0 (on a 4.0 scale) on the last 60 credit hours of study for the baccalaureate degree, are required.
 - iii) Present official copies of transcripts from all universities attended.
 - iv) Present three letters of recommendation from someone familiar with the student's academic performance in their field of study.
 - v) Submit a one-page personal statement, discussing the student's desire for a graduate degree.

2. Special/Conditional Student Status: An individual who does not meet all requirements for admission may be admitted as a special graduate student for no more than 12 semester hours of coursework, until he/she is admitted, without "special" qualification. A "special" student will not be eligible for financial aid and will not be considered for regular admission if their GPA is less than 2.75.

- A. After meeting the specified standards for performance by the Program, the student, in consultation with the Graduate Program Coordinator, may apply for a change to full graduate standing. This request must be approved by the Graduate Committee, and the Dean of the School of Graduate Studies and Research.

II. RESIDENCE

1. Master's Degree

- A. The master's degree requires a minimum of thirty-six (36) semester hours and takes approximately twenty-four (24) calendar months for completion.

2. Doctoral Degree

- A. Beyond the first 30 credits counted toward the doctoral degree, students must complete 30 hours in residence at the University of Florida campus, at an approved branch station of the University of Florida Agricultural Experiment Stations or the Graduate Engineering and Research Center, or Florida A&M University.

III. MAJOR PROFESSOR AND SUPERVISORY COMMITTEE

1. The Graduate Program Coordinator shall serve as the student's initial contact into the program and will advise the student until a Major Professor is selected or appointed for him/her.
2. Major Professor:
 - A. The function of the major professor is to serve as the student's contact and first line of information.
 - B. The major professor serves to help, advise, educate and guide the student on the path of academic success.
 - C. It is the responsibility of the Major Professor to supervise and approve the preparation of the thesis.
 - D. The Major Professor:
 - i) Should be approved by the end of the student's first semester of residence;
 - ii) Must be a member of the graduate faculty;
 - iii) Must have a Graduate Directive Status;
 - iv) Must have competence in the student's proposed area of study.
 - E. Procedure for Selecting a Major Professor:
 - i) Student shall consult with the Graduate Program Coordinator;
 - ii) Student shall meet with the proposed Major Professor and discuss his/her willingness to serve;
 - iii) Student may make his/her choice based upon the area of study and the availability and consent of the proposed Major Professor;
 - iv) All Major Professors must be approved by the Graduate Coordinator.
3. The Supervisory Committee:
 - A. All members of the Supervisory Committee must hold graduate faculty status;
 - B. If a proposed member of the student's Supervisory Committee is not a regular FAMU faculty, then he/she first must be approved by the Dean of the Graduate School according to University Policy.
 - C. Composition of the Supervisory Committee:
 - i) Master's Degree
 - a) The Supervisory Committee members will be recommended by the student, with the advice of the Major Professor and the Graduate Program Coordinator and shall consist of at least three (3) members:
 - (1) Major Professor, as chair;
 - (2) One (1) faculty member from the same program;
 - (3) One (1) faculty member from another program area;
 - b) The student must submit the list of recommended members of the Supervisory Committee to the Graduate Program Coordinator.
 - ii) Doctoral Degree
 - a) The Supervisory Committee members will be recommended by the student, with the Major Professor and shall consist of at least 5 members:
 - (1) Major Professor, as chair;
 - (2) At least two members from Florida A&M University from the entomology program (may include the Major Professor);
 - (3) At least two members from the University of Florida, Entomology and Nematology Department;

- (4) At least one faculty member from another program area in the Division, outside the College, or other than Entomology and Nematology Department.
 - b) If the student declares a minor, at least one committee member must be from that department.
 - c) In cases where a student divides their time between both Universities, co- faculty advisors are recommended.
- D. The Supervisory Committee is responsible for:
- i) approving the student's coursework,
 - ii) checking the student's progress throughout their studies,
 - iii) approving the student's progress report,
 - iv) approving the student's prospectus,
 - v) supervising and approving the thesis preparation, and
 - vi) evaluating the student during the thesis defense.
- E. The Supervisory Committee should meet at least once a semester for a progress report and to make suggestions relative to the student's plan of study. The student will take the initiative in setting up these meetings. An annual report is prepared by the student's Major Professor and reviewed by the Committee members and the Graduate Program Coordinator. This report should determine if the student is making timely progress toward degree completion.

IV. PROSPECTUS

1. In consultation with the members of the Supervisory Committee, the student shall develop a prospectus of proposed research by the end of the second semester of study.
2. The prospectus must be written within the student's major area of study, and
 - A. Should contain a brief literature review, hypotheses, objectives, and proposed methods to be utilized.
 - B. Must be signed and approved by the Major Professor and the student's Supervisory Committee.
 - C. Copies of the approved prospectus are to be kept on file with the Major Professor, and Graduate Program Coordinator.

V. DEGREE TIME LIMITS

1. Limits for degree programs are set by the graduate school, and any requests for extension must be approved by the student's Major Professor, Committee, Graduate Program Coordinator, Dean of the College, and Dean of the Graduate School.
2. Study for the master's degree should normally be completed in 2 years with a five year limit.
3. Study for the doctorate degree should normally be completed in 4 years with a seven years limit.

VI. PROGRAM OF STUDY (Master's)

1. At the beginning of the first semester, and begins with coursework (Statistical Methods, Professional Seminar, Colloquium, and one course from the student's proposed area of concentration).
 - A. The student will also seek a Major Professor and then a supervisory committee who will, in conjunction with the student finalize the student's program of study.
 - B. Any subsequent changes to the student's program must be approved by the Supervisory Committee, and filed with the Graduate Program Coordinator.
 - C. Credit Requirements: A student must have a minimum of thirty-six (36) semester hours of graduate credit. At least twelve (12) of these must be the specified core courses,

eighteen (18) in the selected area of concentration or related areas, and six (6) for the Master's Thesis, AGG 5976. A student may register for more than three hours in AGG 5976 in any one semester, only with the permission of his/her advisor and committee.

2. Graduate Credit Hours for the Degree

- A. May not include more than three (3) credit hours of approved 4000 developed courses;
- B. May include a minimum number of six (6) thesis credit hours;
- C. May include twelve (12) semester hours of graduate credit (with grades of B or better) earned as a special student, only if:
 - i) The special student later qualifies for admission to a graduate degree program;
 - ii) The credits were taken within the time limits prescribed for the degree program.
- D. Transfer Credit
 - i) May not exceed six (6) graduate semester hours;
 - ii) Must be recommended by the Major Professor and the students committee;
 - iii) Must be approved as graduate study by the Graduate Program Coordinator and the Registrar's office.

3. Grading Policy

- A. University and Graduate School Policies take precedence.
- B. Quality of Study:
 - i) A student may earn no more than two (2) "C"s provided that he/she maintains an overall GPA of 3.0 or better. A third grade of "C" may result in termination from the program. A required or core course with a grade of "C" must be repeated. Any grade of "D" or "F" may be grounds for dismissal from the program;
 - ii) Any grade of "U" in any phase of the coursework/thesis/research/ dissertation shall require the student to be placed on probation for one semester. A second "U" grade will result in the termination of the student's degree seeking status;
 - iii) Any grade of "N" must be removed prior to registration in the following semester. Failure to do so will result in the loss of financial assistance;
 - iv) A grade of "I" may be awarded only in extenuating circumstances to a student who is passing the course and who has completed at least two thirds of the coursework;

VII. ACADEMIC PROGRESS

- 1. Failure to maintain the required GPA average may result in termination of a graduate student's status.
- 2. At the end of each academic year, an annual progress report will be conducted by the major professor on his/her respective student, and a completed Progress Report will be forwarded to members of the Supervisory Committee and the Graduate Coordinator for review.
 - A. The Progress Report provides the student, the major professor, the Supervisory Committee, and the Graduate Coordinator a mechanism to track the student's progress to ensure that satisfactory progress is being made towards the completion of the degree.
 - B. The Progress Report also provides the student and the major professor with a forum for written comments on the student's progress.
 - C. Continuation in the academic program and funding will be dependent upon the student receiving a good overall evaluation in all areas including coursework, progress in research, and attendance at all seminars and meetings.

VIII. RETENTION, PROBATION, SUSPENSION AND DISMISSAL

1. All CAFS graduate students have one of three academic standings: regular, probation, or suspension.
 - A. The first time a student fails to meet the minimum standards of progress he or she will be placed on academic probation.
 - B. All subsequent failures to meet minimum standards of progress will result in academic suspension of at least one (1) semester.
 - C. A student will be permitted to return to the University following no more than two (2) academic suspensions.
 - D. A third academic suspension results in dismissal.
2. Regular
 - A. Students who satisfy regular admission standards and maintain a 3.0 GPA.
 - B. Students admitted on a probationary status that enroll in nine (9) or more hours and achieve a 3.0 GPA after one (1) semester.
3. Probation/Special Standing
 - A. Students that fail to meet regular admissions criteria and do not achieve a 3.0 GPA with nine (9) credit hours after one (1) semester.
 - B. Students who satisfy regular admissions criteria, but do not achieve a 3.0 GPA on a minimum of nine (9) credit hours after one semester.
4. Suspension
 - A. Students who began the term on probation and do not achieve an overall 3.0 GPA at the end of the term.
 - B. Students who enroll on a probationary status and earn less than a "B" grade in any course are subject to suspension.
5. Change in Program Area
 - A. Students may transfer from one program area to another with the written approval of the Graduate Program Coordinator.

IX. FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

1. In order to obtain any financial assistance from CAFS and the School of Graduate Studies, a student must maintain an overall GPA of 3.0 or better and must be a full-time student. A full credit load consists of a minimum of nine (9) hours in each of the Fall and Spring semesters and one (1) to six (6) hours in the Summer term. Continued funding of a student is contingent upon the student making satisfactory progress (an overall GPA of 3.0 or higher) in the completion of his/her coursework and thesis research.
2. Limited financial assistance in the form of graduate assistantships and tuition/fee waivers is available through the College. These are contingent upon the availability of funds. A student should contact the Graduate Program Coordinator for opportunities.
3. Most assistantships are ½ time and students are required to work 20 hours a week on meaningful assignments the supervisor designates. After 18 hours of coursework, a student may be asked to work as a Teaching Assistant. Students supported by research grant funds must perform work relevant to the grant stipulations.

X. DOCTORAL DEGREE

1. After the Supervisory Committee is appointed, the Committee, along with the student, completes the student's Program of Study (Form 2 for UF and Form IV for FAMU). If Form 2 is not completed before the end of the second semester of study, a hold will be placed on the student's record preventing further registration.
2. Any subsequent changes to the student's program must be approved by the Major professor, the Supervisory Committee, and filed with the Graduate Program Coordinator.

3. Course Requirements:
 - A. A minimum of 90 credit hours beyond the bachelor's degree is required. A maximum of 30 credits with a grade of B or better may be transferred into the Ph.D. program from an M.S. degree from other colleges or universities approved by the Graduate School. All credits earned in an M.S. program at Florida A&M University and the University of Florida and are carried on to the Ph.D. program. A minimum GPA of 3.0 is required in the major, the minor (if chosen), and to graduate. If a minor is taken, at least 12 credits in the minor subject are required, all of which must be courses 5000 and above. If two minors are taken, at least 8 credits in each are required. Students must register for a minimum of three credits of ENY 7980 or NEM 7980 Research for Doctoral Research during the term of graduation.
4. Qualifying Exam: The Ph.D. Qualifying Examination is comprehensive, and students are questioned on details as well as principles and generalities on the subject material they are studying.
 - A. The Qualifying Examination may be taken during or after the 2nd term of the 2nd year of enrollment beyond the Master's degree. The student should have had instruction in all core areas of his/her discipline and be ready to devote most of his/her time to research.
 - i) The examination is both written and oral. The department requires a minimum of four written examinations. A minimum of five examiners must participate in the oral portion. It is policy that two outside examiners participate. "Outside" is defined as faculty not on the Supervisory Committee. Both the Program and Graduate Studies Coordinator must approve composition and competency of the Qualifying Examination.
 - ii) There must be at least two full semesters for full-time students or one calendar year for part-time students between the qualifying and graduation. The term in which the qualifying is taken counts as one of these if the term is not more than half over at the time of the examination
 - iii) If a student fails the Qualifying Examination, the Supervisory Committee is not obligated to carry the matter any further. The student may request a reexamination, and if the request is granted by the Supervisory Committee, then the reexamination may not be taken sooner than one semester after the first examination.
5. Final Examination:
 - A. The Final Examination must be taken within six months before receiving the cooperative Ph.D. Degree. The final is oral, or written, or both, at the discretion of the Supervisory Committee. At least five examiners must participate.
 - i) Typically, the final is a defense of the dissertation, but the Supervisory Committee may also use the final as an opportunity to reexamine the student on an area in which he/she was weak in the Qualifying Examination. Students must make a public presentation of their dissertation results prior to the final exam. Usually this is done immediately preceding the exam.
6. Upon successfully completing all requirements of the cooperative Ph.D. in entomology, students will receive a diploma which indicates that it is awarded cooperatively by Florida A & M University and the University of Florida. The signatures of both Presidents and appropriate Deans will appear on the diploma.

XI. APPLICATION FOR DEGREE

1. The student must apply for graduation according to University Regulations (see current academic calendar and University General Catalogue).
2. Registration in for at least 1 credit hour is required in the final term in which a degree is granted.
3. If the student filed an application for graduation, but did not receive his/her degree, then he/she must reapply for graduation.

XII. SEMINARS, THESIS AND ORAL DEFENSE

1. Seminars

- A. Students are required to participate in the weekly graduate seminars.
- B. Every student will present at least *one* (1) seminar each academic year on a topic that has been agreed upon with the seminar coordinator.
- C. Presentations are critically evaluated.
- D. The final seminar, will be over the student's graduate research, is expected to include a brief introduction and literature review, the specific objectives, methods and results, and conclusions.

2. Thesis

- A. The thesis must be the original work of the student and demonstrate his/her ability to conduct independent research.
- B. Instructions regarding the format of the thesis are contained in the latest edition of the "Guidelines for Preparation and Submission of Doctoral Dissertations and Master's Theses" from the School of Graduate Studies and Research, and must be followed.
- C. Anytime that a thesis or draft is submitted to a faculty member for review, the student must allow a minimum of 10 (ten) days for review.
- D. This preparation must actively include the major professor and should include consultation with members of the student's committee.
- E. The Major Professor must approve the thesis before it is submitted to the student's committee for defense.
- F. The student is responsible for all corrections that are requested by the Major Professor, the student's supervisory committee, the Graduate Program Coordinator, the Dean of the College, and the Dean of the Graduate School.
- G. After the defense, the student will take the approved, corrected thesis to each member of the committee, for signing.
- H. The student will then submit a final copy according to graduate school procedures.

3. Oral Defense

- A. The student must successfully complete all coursework before approval is given to conduct an oral defense.
- B. The Major Professor shall notify members of the Supervisory Committee, the Graduate Program Coordinator, the Dean of CAFS, the Graduate Dean, and the academic community of the defense, in writing, *at least ten days* in advance of the date, time, and place of the defense.
- C. A representative of the Graduate Council with questioning and voting privileges must participate in the thesis defense.
- D. All members of the supervisory committee members must participate, in person or electronically, in the defense.
- E. The examination is open to any interested CAFS Faculty, however, only members of the Supervisory Committee may vote.
- F. During the defense the student may be questioned in detail by members of the Supervisory Committee. Students will be questioned on general knowledge of the discipline, the methods, results, interpretation of the data obtained, and the significance and relevance of the acceptance or rejection of the hypothesis.
- G. Following the completion of the examination, the Major Professor will complete the Defense Outcome Form and submit it with the Committee's recommendations to the Graduate Coordinator.

4. Doctoral Degree

A. Dissertation:

- i) The Supervisory Committee must assure that the dissertation research is original and a contribution to knowledge.
- ii) The dissertation must be approved unanimously, and signed by all members of the Supervisory Committee, the Dean for Graduate Academic Programs, College of Agriculture, IFAS, and the Dean of the Graduate School.
- iii) The final, signed dissertation, shall be submitted according to Graduate School Procedures.

XIII. ASSISTANTSHIPS AND SCHOLARSHIPS DOMESTIC STUDENTS

Gahan Assistantships

The Gahan assistantships were established by the late Dr. James B. Gahan, USDA Entomologist, and his wife, Mrs. Margaret H. Gahan, to be awarded to outstanding M.S. or Ph.D. students in entomology according to personal goals, interests, and academic achievements. Students awarded these assistantships are given a stipend and tuition waivers. Students awarded a Gahan assistantship will be assigned teaching duties by the Graduate Coordinator.

Steinmetz Assistantships

The Steinmetz assistantships were established by Mr. C.P. and Mrs. Lynn Steinmetz to be awarded to outstanding M.S. or Ph.D. students in urban entomology and landscape entomology. Students awarded these assistantships are given a stipend and tuition waivers.

Grant-Funded Assistantships

Faculty members often award assistantships from grants. Students awarded these assistantships must perform work relevant to the grant stipulations. In many cases, the research conducted, or at least a part of it, may be used for the thesis or dissertation. Students on these assistantships are provided a stipend and tuition waivers. The faculty members holding the grants determine the length of time these assistantships may be held.

Scholarships

A number of scholarships, usually ranging from \$500 to \$2000, are awarded from endowment funds provided by families, clubs, etc. Most of these, such as those awarded by Capelouto or the Agricultural Women's Club, are awarded on the basis of scholarship and service to the department and community. Students must apply for these scholarships, and usually a letter from the advisor must be included in the application packet.

Grants

Some of our graduate students fund their studies, at least in part, from grants that they obtain by writing grant proposals and having them funded. We encourage students to write grant proposals.

Office of Graduate Minority Affairs

The Florida Board of Education Summer Program.

This program is held in Summer B semester and is designed for under-represented minority graduate students. Participants receive a stipend of \$1500 and tuition for 4 credit hours. The student pays student activity fees. The student must enroll as a full-time graduate student the following academic year. Students must be U.S. citizens or permanent residents.

The FAMU Feeder Program.

This program is designed to increase the number of FAMU African-American graduate students. The University of Florida provides five fellowships annually and all graduate programs at U.F. may compete for them. The application deadline is 15 February each year.

McKnight Doctoral Fellowships.

These fellowships are awarded by the Florida Education Fund to African-American students newly admitted into selected doctoral programs. The stipend is for \$12,000 and tuition and fees are paid for a period up to two years. The application deadline is 15 January each year, and application must be made to the

Florida Education Fund,
201 East Kennedy Blvd., Suite 1525,
Tampa, FL 33602.
Phone 813-272-2772.

The Office of Graduate Minority Affairs may be reached at 235 Grinter Hall, telephone 352/392-6444, or 800-753-9798 (e-mail address: ogmp@ufl.edu, and on the web at: <http://www.rgp.ufl.edu/rminority-programs/brochure.html>).

xiv. Master's Programs of Study

Each program of study will include:

1. AGG 5825/5827 Statistical Methods in Research I & II (6 credits)
2. AGG 5931 Professional Seminar (3 credits)
3. AGG 5920 Colloquium (0 credits repeated each semester)
4. AGG 5976 Master's Thesis (6 credits)
5. One of the following courses that is NOT in the area of concentration (3 credit hours):
 - a. AEB 5185 Advanced Agricultural Production
 - b. AGG 5330 Advanced GIS
 - c. AGR 5445C Advanced Plant Sciences
 - d. ANS 5205C Advanced Animal Production
 - e. ENY 5500 Aquatic Entomology
 - f. FOS 5314 Advanced Food Processing & Storage
 - g. PMA 5407C Integrated Pest Management
 - h. SOS 5217 Soil and the Environment
6. The courses in the area of concentration (15 to 18 credits)
7. Approved electives – enough credits to add up to a minimum of 36 credits total.

Area of concentration courses (all courses 3 credits unless marked)

AGRIBUSINESS

AEB 5307 Agricultural Marketing and Finance
AEB 5335 Advanced Agricultural Price Analysis
AEB 5555 Econometrics
AEB 5376 Market Research and Survey
AEB 5185 Advanced Agricultural Production

ENTOMOLOGY

ENY 5105C Principles of Animal Taxonomy (4 credits)
ENY 5150 Systematic Entomology
ENY 5355 Insect Morphology (4 credits)
ENY 5500 Aquatic Entomology
PMA 5407C Integrated Pest Management
ENY 6663 Medical Entomology
ENY 6821 Insect Pathology
ENY 5204 Insect Ecology

ENY 6820 Insect Molecular Genetics
ENY 6215 Biological Control of Weeds

PLANT SCIENCE

AGR 5322 Plant Breeding
AGR 5445C Advanced Plant Science
AGR 5616 Seed Science and Technology
BOT 5506 Advanced Plant Physiology
BOT 5937 Selected Topics in Plant Biotechnology

SOIL AND WATER SCIENCE

AGR 5445C Advanced Plant Science
SWS 5217 Soil and the Environment
SWS XXXX Hydrology and Watershed Management
AGG 5930 Special Topics in SWS (Cli Chg., Irrigat. & Water Cons)
SWS 5305 Soil Microbiology
SWS 5405C Soil Chemistry

XV. GRADUATE FACULTY AND THEIR INTERESTS

Directive Status

Anandhi, Aavudai, Assistant Professor (Ph.D. Indian Institute of Science) Water Resource Management, Climate Change

Ananga, Anthony, Assistant Professor (Ph.D. Alabama A&M University) Food Science, Biotechnology

Anderson, Lee E., Professor (Ph.D., University of Florida); Monogastric Nutrition (Vitamin E), Reproductive Physiology, Animal Production.

Colova-Tsolova, Violeta, Professor (Ph.D. Institute of Genetic Engineering, Bulgaria); Cell Biology, Embryology, Plant Biotechnology, Plant Genetics and Breeding, Viticulture.

Haseeb, Muhammad, Research Associate (Ph.D.) Entomology

Hight, Stephen, Adjunct Professor (Ph.D., University of Maryland); Biological Control of Invasive Weeds.

Hix, Raymond, Professor (Ph.D. University of Arkansas) Entomology; Aquatic Entomology

Hsieh, Yuch P., Professor (Ph.D., Rutgers University); Organic Matter Dynamics and Nutrient Cycling, Sulfur Geochemistry, Bioremediation of Heavy Metals and Organic Pollutants

Kanga, Lambert, Professor (Ph.D. Texas A&M University); Insect Toxicology, Insect Pathology, Molecular Biology, Biological Control, Insecticide Resistance and Integrated Pest Management.

Legaspi, Jesusa, Adjunct Professor (Ph.D. Purdue University); Biological Control and Integrated Pest Management (IPM) of Insect Pests of Vegetables.

Lorenzo, Alfredo B., Professor (Ph.D., Louisiana State University); Forestry and Natural Resource Management and Economics, Urban Forestry, Wildland Resources Science

Mbuya, Odemari, Professor (Ph.D., University of Florida); Nutrient Management, Water Quality, Phytoremediation, Computer Simulation Modeling and Remote Sensing.

Milla, Katherine, Professor, (Ph.D., Florida State University); Geology, GIS and Remote Sensing.

Muchovej James, Professor (Ph.D., Virginia Tech); Plant Pathology, Plant Physiology, Taxonomy of Fungi.

Musingo, Mitwe, Professor (Ph.D. University of Florida): Food Science. Fruit and Vegetable Processing with Emphasis on Juice and Wine Processing.

Onokpise, Oghenekome, Professor (Ph.D., Iowa State University); Tree Breeding and Forest Genetics; Crop Breeding, Biotechnology, Agroforestry, Plant Sciences, International Development in Agriculture, Forestry and Natural Resources.

Sheikh, Mehboob B., Professor (Ph.D., University of Oklahoma); Molecular Biology and Biochemistry of Legume Seeds, particularly Peanuts, Aflatoxin Resistance and Improving Nutritional Quality.

Solis, Daniel, Assistant Professor (Ph.D.); Agricultural Economics

Thomas, Michael, Professor (Ph.D., Ohio State University); Agricultural Economics, Environment Resource Economics.

Graduate Faculty

Bolques, Alejandro, Extension Agent (Ph.D. Florida A&M University) Environmental Science, Environmental Horticulture

Duke Edwin, Associate Professor (Ph.D. University of Florida); Ornamental Horticulture.

Gardner, Cassel S., Professor (Ph.D., University of Florida); Alternative and Sustainable Agriculture Practices and their Interaction with the Environment, Nutrient Management and Water Quality.

James, Neil A., Professor (Ph.D., University of Leeds, England); Nutritional Evaluation of Food Processing, Convenience Food Development, Quality Changes in Meat Products.

Leong, Stephen, Professor (Ph.D., Louisiana State University); Agricultural Economics, Farm Management, Market Analysis, Experimental Design and Data Analysis.

Rasmussen, Andrew, Research Associate (Ph.D. Florida A&M University) Aquatic Entomology

Sarjeant, Keawin, Assistant Professor (Ph.D. University of Florida) Food Microbiology; Animal Science

Taylor, Jennifer, Associate Professor (Ph.D. Virginia Tech); Agricultural Education

Thomas, Verian D., Professor (Ph.D., University of Leeds, England); Food Chemistry, Food Processing: Nutrient Composition of Ethnic Foods.