The Department of Plant Sciences has one PLS 15 Teaching Assistant position available for Fall 2019, to be filled immediately. Please note that you need to have attended the mandatory UCD TA orientation (either on 9/24 or in a prior year), and you must be in good standing.

PLS 15 - Introduction to Sustainable Agriculture

Positions available: one 25% TA (10 hours/week)

Application deadline: ASAP; open until filled

Instructors: Jennifer Schmidt (<u>jenschmidt@ucdavis.edu</u>) and Neal Williams (If you are interested in TAing for the course, or if you have questions, please contact the instructor.)

Course meets:

Lectures: Monday, Wednesday, and Friday, 10:00-10:50, 101 Bowley Labs: Tuesday, 9:00-11:50, 105 Bowley (A01); Tuesday (A02) and Thursday (A03), 2:10-5:00, 105 Bowley;

Preferred background: BS in agricultural science, plant science, soil science, or related field; 1+ quarters TAing experience; enthusiasm for engaging students in hands-on learning activities during lab.

Responsibilities:

The focus of this position is on assisting with the lab sections. The TA will:

>Help with lab set-up, execution and clean up. Serve as a resource person for lab activities and projects. Accompany and assist students during on-campus field trips during lab periods and one all-day Saturday field trip (Saturday, Nov. 9th). Technical aspects focus on in-field activities working with crops, soils, pest management and the evaluation of agricultural production systems; non-technical aspects focus on student group work and oral presentations. (Instructor will be at labs and work with TA.)

>Attend a small number of the lectures that are directly related to lab activities and projects.
>Assist with grading lab project assignments and student presentations and with general course administration.

To apply, please email your application along with a CV as one pdf file to Lisa Brown (lfbrown@ucdavis.edu). Application forms are available at: https://www.plantsciences.ucdavis.edu/sites/g/files/dgvnsk1736/files/files/page/TA.Application.2019 0.pdf

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