

# Department of Plant Pathology College of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences University of California Davis

**Open Position:** Assistant Professor of Teaching in Disease Biology The Department of Plant Pathology invites applications for a full-time Assistant Professor of Teaching in the field of disease biology, with a focus on epidemiology and disease ecology. Expertise in plant pathology or a related discipline is required. Competitive applicants will also have interest and competency to support teaching and research in the broader context of One Health, including plant, animal and human systems. Professor of Teaching faculty are Academic Senate faculty members with tenure whose expertise and responsibilities center on undergraduate education, and scholarly analysis/improvement of teaching methods. The appointee may teach up to five undergraduate courses per year (1-2 per quarter) in departmental undergraduate curricula. The successful applicant will play a key role in the Global Disease Biology major (<http://gdb.ucdavis.edu/>) through instruction in the core classes GDB 101, Epidemiology, and GDB/VME 158, Disease Ecology, as well as the elective course PLP 120, Introduction to Plant Pathology. Additional undergraduate courses in Global Disease Biology, Plant Pathology, and/or Science & Society will be assigned based on the candidate's area of expertise and departmental need. Potential courses include Disease and Society, Disease Intervention and Policy, The Microbiome of People, Animals and Plants, and Feeding the Planet. The appointee will develop an educational or pedagogical research program as it relates to disease biology, epidemiology, plant pathology, (phyto)microbiomics, or a related discipline. They will have a leadership role in the scholarship of teaching and learning, working with Plant Pathology, Global Disease Biology and other faculty at UC Davis to develop, implement and assess new pedagogical initiatives. Qualified applicants must have a Ph.D. in plant pathology, epidemiology, disease ecology, microbiology, (phyto)microbiomics, or related disciplines, preferably with postgraduate experience. Other preferred qualifications include documented success in some or all of the following areas as related to disease biology: teaching large undergraduate classes, use of evidence-based teaching practices, use of modern instructional technology, ability to identify and develop effective teaching strategies for diverse student populations. Salary will be commensurate with education and experience. The position will remain open until filled, but application materials should be received by September 30, 2019 to be assured full consideration. Applicants should submit materials online at <https://recruit.ucdavis.edu/JPF02978>. Applicants should submit a curriculum vitae, a description of research background, statement of past, current, and proposed teaching and science education research, and a statement describing experience in and future plans for activities that promote diversity and inclusion. Applicants should provide the names and contact information of 3 references. For more information on this position, please contact the search committee chair, Dr. Johan Leveau, [jleveau@ucdavis.edu](mailto:jleveau@ucdavis.edu) or visit <http://plantpathology.ucdavis.edu/jobsassistant.cfm>.

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