

Vegetable IPM Implementation Specialist

Join the New York State Integrated Pest Management Program for a 6 month appointment developing and improving education and outreach resources that support IPM implementation by vegetable producers. There is a possibility of additional appointment term(s) depending on the availability of funding and successful job performance. Projects include but are not limited to: managing a statewide sweet corn pheromone trap network, researching degree-day models predicting weed germination and development, and assessing existing online IPM resources for vegetables; prioritizing needed improvements, and working with faculty and extension field staff to update selected resources.

KEY KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS, AND ABILITIES REQUIRED

Knowledge of, and commitment to, the philosophy, principles, and theory of integrated pest management and vegetable IPM.

Demonstrated ability to lead and effectively participate in professional team efforts.

Demonstrated proficiency in effectively using a variety of electronic technologies including word processing, data management, on-line communications, social networking, and other software and hardware as required.

Demonstrated ability to communicate effectively with co-workers, advisors, community and professional leaders, and targeted audiences.

Demonstrated ability to communicate effectively through verbal, written, and visual channels.

Ability and willingness to interact respectfully with diverse audiences.

Initiative, scientific creativity, ability to problem-solve, and reliability.

MINIMUM EDUCATION

Required: Master's Degree from an accredited institution with a major in Integrated Pest Management, Plant Pathology, Entomology, Weed Science, Horticulture, Ecology, or in a closely associated field.

Desired: Course work in vegetable crops production, horticulture, economics, adult education, and communication.

EXPERIENCE

Desired: Familiarity with vegetable production practices on farming operations of different scales and philosophies.

Start Date: July 1 or when a suitable candidate is identified.

Location: New York State Agricultural Experiment Station, Geneva, NY preferred. Cornell University Ithaca campus may be a possibility.

Further information

Contact Abby Seaman, Vegetable IPM Coordinator, NYS IPM Program, ajs32@cornell.edu, 315-787-2422.

Application

Email curriculum vitae, letter of interest, and names and contact information for three references to Janet Garlick, NYSIPM Program, jlg2@cornell.edu