



Research and Extension Assistant needed for the Tree Fruit IPM Academic Specialist

Duration: Early May through December 2024 (possible extension)

Salary: \$16/hr, 40 hr/wk

Location: East Lansing (MSU Campus)

Recent college graduates with an interest in Extension are highly encouraged to apply!

The technician will support the research and extension missions of the Tree Fruit IPM Academic Specialist. Current projects are focused on building a digital pesticide decision database to help apple growers achieve effective, economical, and environmentally sustainable pest management. Other projects will involve visiting orchards around Michigan for pest scouting and pollinator field research. There will be opportunities for professional development in both research and extension, with the potential to help develop educational programming and resources for fruit growers.

This will be partially in a laboratory/office setting, but also in field settings working in fruit farms across Michigan. Duties will also include managing pesticide database, collecting field data, analyzing results, and assisting in developing reports. This position will require driving and working outdoors in hot summer conditions. Also need to have the ability to work independently.

Required Qualifications:

- Interest in entomology, agriculture, or related fields
- Valid US driver's license
- Ability to work outside
- Ability to work independently
- Excellent communication skills

Desired Qualifications:

- A four-year college degree in Entomology, Biology, Horticulture, or related field of study
- Data management experience
- Field work experience
- Entomology experience
- Interest in Extension work

To apply: <https://careers.msu.edu/cw/en-us/job/517426/technical-aide>

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Reach out to Jackie Perkins (albertj9@msu.edu) with any questions.

