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Seasonal Research Assistants **Valley Laboratory and Research Farm, Windsor**

We anticipate hiring **six** seasonal employees for May through October 2026 (or part thereof) to assist the farm manager in landscaping and general farm duties and research scientists (plant breeding, plant pathologists) in field and/or laboratory studies of insects, fungi (mushrooms), plant diseases at the Connecticut Agricultural Experiment Station's Valley Laboratory and Research Farm in Windsor. Applicants must be at least 18 years old. Work hours are Monday through Friday 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. (7 hr./day, 35 hr./wk., \$17.00 per hour). Research assistants will work outdoors in field plots, in the greenhouse, on farms, forests and in the laboratory. Depending on the position, duties may include: planting and maintaining (weed, fertilize, irrigate, and harvest) field plots, counting insects, maintaining insect populations, collecting and processing soil, fungal and plant samples for fungi, plant pathogens, recording disease and yield data, media preparation and assistance with plant breeding for pathogen resistance.

These anticipated positions are durational from May 1, 2026 and may extend through October 31, 2026 (depending on funding and work). These positions involve work outdoors under field conditions. Candidates must have a valid driver's license.

To apply for any of these positions please send a single, consolidated PDF file that includes: a letter of interest, resume, school transcripts, and the names of three references via email to: Dr. DeWei Li, Chief Scientist, The Connecticut Agricultural Experiment Station Valley Laboratory, at DeWei.Li@ct.gov.

For additional information telephone: (860) 683-4979

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