

Eastern Region Nursery and Greenhouse Program
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Eastern NC Nursery News

February 2020

Find the latest information about nursery production in Eastern NC below!

Visit Danny's Website

NC Department of Commerce, Agricultural Services, Can Help You Find Employees!

Stacey Jones, the Central Region Area Specialized Agent for Nursery & Greenhouse, recently held a webinar featuring staff from the NC Department of Commerce, Division of Workforce Solutions, Agricultural Services. This group works with any agricultural producer, including ornamental nursery and greenhouse growers to help them find employees. There is no cost for the services they provide. They also provide free educational services to make sure you meet OSHA standards without fear of reporting or fines. I am including a link below to the webinar which includes information from Mark Peters about how they have helped him find employees at Piedmont Carolina Nursery. There are also other links to the services they offer and contact information. Everyone is dealing with labor issues, here is some valuable information and people that can help.

[NC Department of Commerce, Nursery Labor Webinar Recording](#)

[NC Works Website](#)

[NC Department of Commerce, Ag Services, List of Services](#)

NC State Horticulture Department Internship Program

Student Experiences In Horticultural Science (Internships, Research, and Teaching)



Post your career exploration opportunity on the database:
<https://go.ncsu.edu/careerexploration>

Do you want to help shape a student's career?

Need a boost of energy and ideas in your business, research, or teaching program?

Interested in hosting a student intern, student researcher, or student teaching assistant?

All the resources you need to host an experience are provided and it is easy to create an opportunity for a student majoring in Horticultural Science.

Steps to joining our database:

1. Register as an employer
2. Once approved, complete a position description, including requirements of the student, length of the work opportunity, pay (we recommend \$10-15/hr.), and employer contact information.

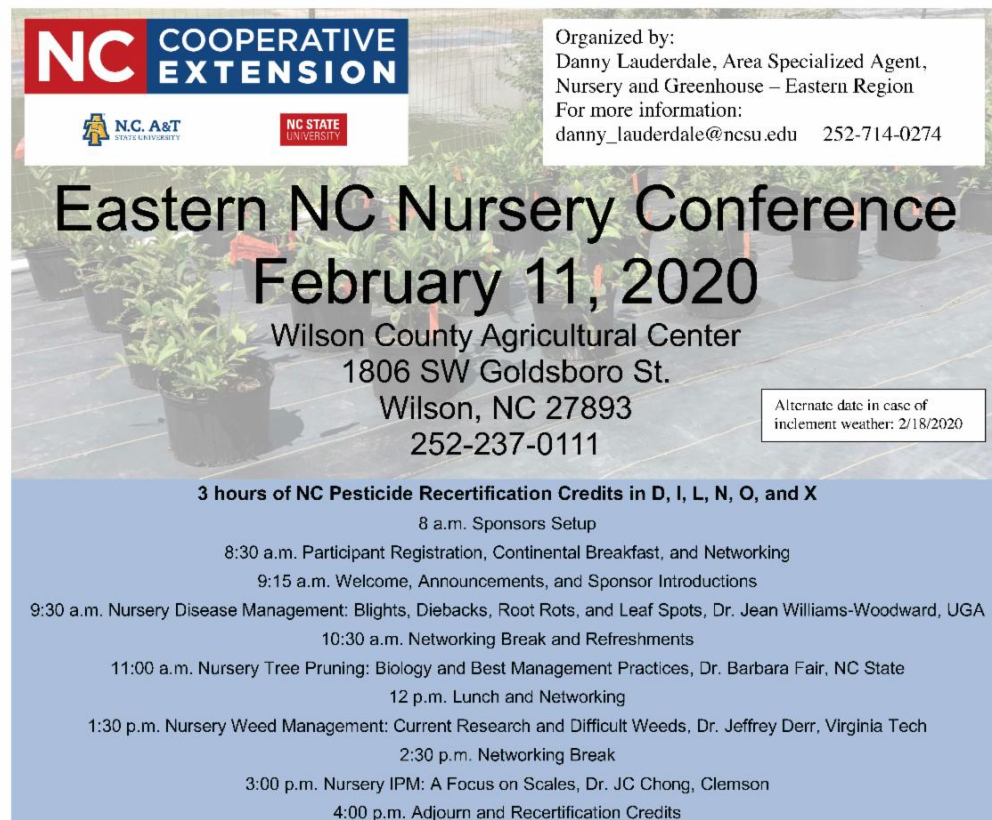
Students will apply for the position directly with the employer. The employer hires and provides supervision of the student. The Department of Horticultural Science prepares the student for work and provides additional supervision of the student during employment.



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500 cards were printed at a cost of \$0.20 per card.

February 11, 2020 Eastern NC Nursery Conference
Registration will be available at the door for \$40 each!
Call Danny at 252-714-0274 if you plan to register there.



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Eastern NC Nursery Conference

February 11, 2020

Wilson County Agricultural Center
1806 SW Goldsboro St.
Wilson, NC 27893
252-237-0111

Alternate date in case of inclement weather: 2/18/2020

3 hours of NC Pesticide Recertification Credits in D, I, L, N, O, and X

8 a.m. Sponsors Setup
8:30 a.m. Participant Registration, Continental Breakfast, and Networking
9:15 a.m. Welcome, Announcements, and Sponsor Introductions
9:30 a.m. Nursery Disease Management: Blights, Diebacks, Root Rots, and Leaf Spots, Dr. Jean Williams-Woodward, UGA
10:30 a.m. Networking Break and Refreshments
11:00 a.m. Nursery Tree Pruning: Biology and Best Management Practices, Dr. Barbara Fair, NC State
12 p.m. Lunch and Networking
1:30 p.m. Nursery Weed Management: Current Research and Difficult Weeds, Dr. Jeffrey Derr, Virginia Tech
2:30 p.m. Networking Break
3:00 p.m. Nursery IPM: A Focus on Scales, Dr. JC Chong, Clemson
4:00 p.m. Adjourn and Recertification Credits

Participant Registration: Eastern NC Nursery Conference, February 11, 2020

Company Name: _____

Participant(s) Names: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Phone: _____ Fax: _____ Email: _____

\$25 per person includes educational presentations, refreshments, and lunch. Registration only accepted with payment and is non-refundable. Pre-registration must be post marked by February 4 and mailed to: Eastern NC Nursery Conference, 1806 SW Goldsboro St., Wilson, NC 27893. Registration after Feb. 4 will be \$40 at the door. Make checks payable to Wilson County Ag Center. (List all participants and include a separate sheet if needed.)

Sponsors:



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The deadline has passed February 4th to attend the Eastern NC Nursery Conference at the Wilson Ag Center, 1806 SW Goldsboro Street, Wilson, NC 27828 on February 11, 2020. You can register at the door. If this is your plan please call Danny Lauderdale at 252-714-0274.

Topics of focus with presenters from UGA, NC State, Virginia Tech, and Clemson:

- Woody ornamental diseases management
- Nursery tree pruning
- Weed management
- Scale insect management

You will be able to visit with our sponsors during registration, breaks, and lunch. Lunch will be catered by the Parker's BBQ and will be pork BBQ, fried or BBQ chicken, and fixins. \$40 registration will be accepted at the door after calling Danny Lauderdale at 252-714-0274 to confirm. A printable registration flyer can be found at <http://go.ncsu.edu/2020encnc>.

Ambrosia Beetles...

When are next preventative treatments needed?

We had a minor flight of ambrosia beetles this week in central eastern NC. I trapped 3 on 2/5/2020 and 1 on 2/6/2020. Temperatures throughout central eastern NC are forecast to remain below 70 degrees over the next two weeks so there is likely no need to make additional preventative applications to trees potentially sensitive to attack by ambrosia beetles at this time. Based on my monitoring over the past two winters and springs, we only see activity and flights when high temperatures reach around 70 degrees or above for about 3 days or more. When temperatures are not that high the insects are in a resting state. Keep a close eye on the 10 to 14 day forecasts as they change daily. When I see the forecast becoming ideal for future activity I will send an alert.

Pesticide disclaimer: Recommendations for the use of agricultural chemicals are included in this publication as a convenience to the reader. The use of brand names and any mention or listing of commercial products or services in this publication does not imply endorsement by NC Cooperative Extension nor discrimination against similar products or services not mentioned.

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The Eastern Region Nursery and Greenhouse Program at NC Cooperative Extension is your source for research-based production information for greenhouse and nursery crops in Eastern North Carolina.

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