



Department of Horticulture  
College of Agricultural & Environmental Sciences  
**UNIVERSITY OF GEORGIA**

## Seminar Series –Spring 2019

Wednesdays 3:30 pm – 4:30 pm

Athens: 1205 Miller Plant Sciences; Tifton: 125 Nespal; Griffin: SLC Room 102

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- Jan 30** *“Spatial and Temporal Mechanisms underlying Apple Fruit Growth and Development”*  
**Shan Jing** (Ph.D. Exit Seminar)
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- Feb 6** *“Converting Photons into Biomass: Implications for Controlled Environment Agriculture”*  
**[Dr. Marc van Iersel](#)** (Professor, Department of Horticulture, UGA)
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- Feb 13** *“Assessing Clonal Propagation via Somatic Embryogenesis to Promote Abies firma for Georgia Christmas Tree Industry”*  
**Sean Caton** (M.S. Proposal Seminar)
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- Feb 20** *“Update on the Activities of the Peach Horticulture Program”*  
**[Dr. Dario Chavez](#)** (Assistant Professor, Department of Horticulture, UGA)
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- Feb 27** *“Evaluation of Drying Methods on Post-Harvest Quality of Holy Basil”*  
**Sandra Begani** (M.S. Proposal Seminar)
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- Mar 6** *“Using Fruit Zone Leaf Removal to Manage Crop Yield, Bunch Rot, and Wine Quality Potential in Regionally-Important Hybrid and European Grape Cultivars”*  
**Annie Vogel** (M.S. Proposal Seminar)
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- Mar 20** Graduate Student Invited Speaker  
*Title to be announced*  
**[Dr Bruce Bugbee](#)** (Professor, Department of Plants, Soils and Climate, Utah State University)
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- Mar 27** *“Supporting a Billion Dollar Industry: Applied Vegetable Research and Outreach in SW Georgia”* **[Dr. Tim Coolong](#)** (Associate Professor, Department of Horticulture, UGA)
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- Apr 3** *“Light Intensity and Spectral Modification to Optimize Plant Growth in Greenhouses”*  
**TC Jayalath** (Ph.D. Proposal Seminar)
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- Apr 10** *“Evaluating Fresh Postharvest Keeping Quality of Blueberry Using Instrumental and Differential Gene Expression Analyses”*  
**Rion Mooneyham** (M.S. Proposal Seminar)
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- Apr 17** Seminar Canceled
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- Apr 24** *“Moderating the Effects of High Temperature in Georgia High Tunnels”*  
**Savanah Laur** (M.S. Proposal Seminar)
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