The College of Life Science and Agriculture (COLSA) and the New Hampshire Agricultural Experiment Station (NHAES) seek to fill a Postdoctoral Diversity and Innovation Scholar position in the area of crop plant genetics and genomics. The University of New Hampshire provides an outstanding opportunity to develop an impactful, multidisciplinary research program that focuses on significantly moving forward sustainable food production. Through an emphasis of scholarship and teaching that enhances sustainable lives and livelihoods, we aim to enable underrepresented postdoctoral scholars to advance in their training through mentorship with our faculty and enhanced professional development.

Genetics and genomics research is conducted in all four departments within COLSA, and the successful postdoctoral scholar will be matched with the most appropriate mentor(s) based on research interests. Areas of research foci may include genome-enabled crop breeding, gene editing, and related areas. The postdoctoral scholar will work closely with faculty mentors to develop an independent research program. Scholars will be supported by the NHAES and will have the opportunity to apply for research project grants to support novel research projects. In addition to a broad range of farms, fields, lakes, streams, forests, and marine environments, scholars will have access to state-of-the-art laboratory facilities including the UNH instrumentation center, the Hubbard Genome Center, the Center of Integrated Biomedical and Bioengineering Research, and the Jackson Estuarine Lab.

Additional professional development opportunities include participation in university governance, early career and faculty development academies, and workshops on teaching and learning. Scholars also will have opportunities to mentor graduate and undergraduate researchers and will teach one class annually.

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