The Department of Biological Sciences at Kent State University invites applications and nominations for the Herrick Endowed Professorship of Plant Biology. The position is open rank; we encourage applications from highly successful individuals who are currently Assistant, Associate or Full Professors (or at equivalent rank at non-academic institutions).

The recipient of the Herrick Endowed Professorship is expected to contribute to research, education, and graduate training within the Ecology and Evolutionary Biology (EEB) program. Applicants working in terrestrial plant ecology or plant evolutionary biology are particularly encouraged to apply. Candidates must have a Ph.D. or an equivalent degree and must demonstrate substantial research accomplishments, including but not limited to an established record of publication, sustained and substantial extramural research funding (including active grants), and demonstrated success in training and mentoring.

The position includes significant on-going research support from the Herrick endowment, and a nationally competitive start-up package.

Kent State University (www.kent.edu), the second largest university in Ohio, is a state-supported, doctoral degree granting institution ranked as 'high research' by the Carnegie Foundation. Kent State eight campus system has a total enrollment of nearly 42,000 students. The Kent campus population consists of 22,000 undergraduates and 5,000 graduate students and includes individuals from all 50 states and over 100 countries. The city of Kent combines the eclectic atmosphere of a small midwest college town with easy access to major metropolitan centers, including Cleveland, Akron, Columbus, and Pittsburgh.

The Department of Biological Sciences (www.kent.edu/biology) is the largest in the College of Arts and Sciences, with over 80 MS and PhD students, approx. 1100 undergraduate majors across a broad spectrum of degree programs (including Botany, Ecology, and Conservation), and 41 faculty on the Kent campus. Facilities and resources include an active herbarium, plant conservatory, an interdisciplinary Center for Ecology and Resource Sustainability (CENRS), and 18 managed natural areas available for research activities. The Department has formal affiliations or active collaborations with non-academic organizations across northeast Ohio, including: the Holden Arboretum, the Cleveland Botanical Garden, Cuyahoga Valley National Park, Cleveland Metroparks, Cleveland Museum of Natural History, and the Nature Conservancy of Ohio. International opportunities for teaching, training, and research are supported by membership in OTS, and a formal agreement with the University of Costa Rica.

Please submit a letter of interest in the position, a curriculum vita, and a statement of accomplishments and future interests in research and training; references will be requested at a later date. Review of applications will begin immediately and continue until the position is filled.

Application materials, nominations, and inquiries should be submitted electronically to plantbiologychair@kent.edu.

Kent State University is an Affirmative Action/Equal Opportunity Institution and requires compliance with the Immigration Reform and Control Act of 1986. We strongly encourage candidates that will enhance faculty diversity and inclusion across our campus.