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## Affiliations and Activities

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# Invited Presentations

- **Honig, J. A.**, and T. J. Molnar. 2017. Combining field and lab data to reach new heights in the Rutgers hazelnut breeding program. Rutgers Center for Turfgrass Science Research Symposium. January 13, 2017. New Brunswick, NJ.
- **Honig, J. A.** 2014. Genetic Diversity of Bentgrass (*Agrostis*) Cultivars and Accessions Using Microsatellite (SSR) Markers. Rutgers Center for Turfgrass Science Research Symposium 2014. January 17, 2014. New Brunswick, NJ.
- **Honig, J. A.** 2013. Overview of the Rutgers University/NJAES DNA Genotyping Laboratory. NJAES Board of Managers Meeting. February 28, 2013. New Brunswick, NJ.
- **Honig, J. A.** 2011. Molecular genetic characterization of Kentucky bluegrass (*Poa pratensis* L.) cultivars and accessions using microsatellite (SSR) markers. Rutgers Center for Turfgrass Science Research Symposium 2011. January 14, 2011. New Brunswick, NJ.
- **Honig, J. A.** 2007. Myths and misunderstandings about USGA versus California putting greens. New Jersey Turfgrass and Landscape Expo 2007. December 5, 2007. Atlantic City, NJ.
- **Honig, J. A.** 2001. Rutgers sand based root zone research. National Sports Turf Managers Association Conference 2001. January 20, 2001. Tampa, Florida.

**Honig, J. A.** 2000. The Bentgrasses: Past and Present. New Jersey Turfgrass and Landscape Expo 2000. December 11, 2000. Atlantic City, NJ.

**Honig, J. A.** 1999. Sand based Root Zone Research at Rutgers University. US Silica Sand Co. Annual Meetings. June, 1999. Port Elizabeth, NJ.

### **Teaching**

Undergraduate Course – Turfgrass Management – 11:776:304 – 4 credits. Fall 2017: 2/3 of class lectures for the semester - 80 minute period 2x per week, and Full semester 160 minute laboratory -1x per week. 9 students (6 registered undergraduates; 3 graduate students registered as Special Problems course). Rutgers University, School of Environmental and Biological Sciences, Department of Plant Biology and Pathology.

Rutgers Professional Golf Turf Management School – 3 lectures on 'Turfgrass Regional Concerns'. Spring 2017. 10 week program. 90 minute lecture. 1x per week. 39 students. Rutgers University, School of Environmental and Biological Sciences, Office of Continuing Professional Education.

Rutgers Professional Golf Turf Management School – 2 lectures on 'Sand Based Putting Green Construction'. Spring 2017. 10 week program. 90 minute lecture. 1x per week. 39 students. Rutgers University, School of Environmental and Biological Sciences, Office of Continuing Professional Education.

Rutgers Professional Golf Turf Management School – 2 lectures on 'Chemical/Pesticide Calibration and Safety'. Fall 2016. 10 week program. 90 minute lecture. 1x per week. 41 students. Rutgers University, School of Environmental and Biological Sciences, Office of Continuing Professional Education.

Undergraduate Course – Advanced Technologies in Biosciences – 11:126:444 – 3 credits. Spring 2016: 3 lectures on 'DNA Genotyping and Genotyping by Sequencing'. 80 minute period 2x per week. 16 students. Rutgers University, School of Environmental and Biological Sciences.

Rutgers Professional Golf Turf Management School – 2 lectures on 'Chemical/Pesticide Calibration and Safety'. Fall 2015. 10 week program. 90 minute lecture. 1x per week. 33 students. Rutgers University, School of Environmental and Biological Sciences, Office of Continuing Professional Education.

Rutgers Professional Golf Turf Management School – 3 lectures on 'Turfgrass Regional Concerns'. Fall 2015. 10 week program. 90 minute lecture. 1x per week. 39 students. Rutgers University, School of Environmental and Biological Sciences, Office of Continuing Professional Education.

Undergraduate Course – Advanced Technologies in Biosciences – 11:126:444 – 3 credits. Spring 2015: 3 lectures on 'DNA Genotyping and Genotyping by Sequencing'. 80 minute period 2x per week. 21 students (18 registered; 3 auditing). Rutgers University, School of Environmental and Biological Sciences.

Undergraduate Course – Turfgrass Management – 11:776:304 – 4 credits. Fall 2014: 2/3 of class lectures for the semester - 80 minute period 2x per week, and Full semester 160 minute laboratory -1x per week. 10 students (7 registered; 3 auditing). Rutgers University, School of Environmental and Biological Sciences, Department of Plant Biology and Pathology.

Rutgers Professional Golf Turf Management School – Soils II: Soil chemistry and fertility. Spring 2013. 10 week program. 80 minute lecture. 1x per week. 48 students. Rutgers University, School of Environmental and Biological Sciences, Office of Continuing Professional Education.

Rutgers Professional Golf Turf Management School – Putting Green Construction. Spring 2013. 3 Lectures. 80 minutes per lecture. 48 students. Rutgers University, School of Environmental and Biological Sciences, Office of Continuing Professional Education.

Undergraduate Course – Turfgrass Management – 11:776:304 – 4 credits. Fall 2012: 2/3 of class lectures for the semester - 80 minute period 2x per week, and Full semester 160 minute laboratory -1x per week. 9 students. Rutgers University, School of Environmental and Biological Sciences, Department of Plant Biology and Pathology.

Rutgers Professional Golf Turf Management School – Soils II: Soil chemistry and fertility. Fall 2012. 10 week program. 80 minute lecture. 1x per week. 29 students. Rutgers University, School of Environmental and Biological Sciences, Office of Continuing Professional Education.

Rutgers Professional Golf Turf Management School – Putting Green Construction. Fall 2012. 3 Lectures. 80 minutes per lecture. 29 students. Rutgers University, School of Environmental and Biological Sciences, Office of Continuing Professional Education.

Rutgers Professional Golf Turf Management School – Soils II: Soil chemistry and fertility. Spring 2012. 10 week program. 80 minute lecture. 1x per week. 46 students. Rutgers University, School of Environmental and Biological Sciences, Office of Continuing Professional Education.

Rutgers Professional Golf Turf Management School – Putting Green Construction. Spring 2012. 3 Lectures. 80 minutes per lecture. 46 students. Rutgers University, School of Environmental and Biological Sciences, Office of Continuing Professional Education.

Undergraduate Course – Turfgrass Management – 11:776:304 – 4 credits. Fall 2011: 2/3 of class lectures for the semester - 80 minute period 2x per week, and Full semester 160 minute laboratory -1x per week. 10 students. Rutgers University, School of Environmental and Biological Sciences, Department of Plant Biology and Pathology.

Rutgers Professional Golf Turf Management School – Soils II: Soil chemistry and fertility. Fall 2011. 10 week program. 80 minute lecture. 1x per week. 42 students. Rutgers University, School of Environmental and Biological Sciences, Office of Continuing Professional Education.

Rutgers Professional Golf Turf Management School – Putting Green Construction. Fall 2011. 3 Lectures. 80 minutes per lecture. 42 students. Rutgers University, School of Environmental and Biological Sciences, Office of Continuing Professional Education.

Rutgers Professional Golf Turf Management School – Soils II: Soil chemistry and fertility. Spring 2011. 10 week program. 80 minute lecture. 1x per week. 41 students. Rutgers University, School of Environmental and Biological Sciences, Office of Continuing Professional Education.

Rutgers Professional Golf Turf Management School – Putting Green Construction. Spring 2011. 3 Lectures. 80 minutes per lecture. 41 students. Rutgers University, School of Environmental and Biological Sciences, Office of Continuing Professional Education.

Undergraduate Course – Turfgrass Management – 11:776:304 – 4 credits. Fall 2010: 2/3 of class lectures for the semester - 80 minute period 2x per week, and Full semester 160 minute laboratory -1x per week. 8 students. Rutgers University, School of Environmental and Biological Sciences, Department of Plant Biology and Pathology.

Rutgers Professional Golf Turf Management School – Soils II: Soil chemistry and fertility. Fall 2010. 10 week program. 80 minute lecture. 1x per week. 34 students. Rutgers University, School of Environmental and Biological Sciences, Office of Continuing Professional Education.

Rutgers Professional Golf Turf Management School – Putting Green Construction. Fall 2010. 3 Lectures. 80 minutes per lecture. 34 students. Rutgers University, School of Environmental and Biological Sciences, Office of Continuing Professional Education.

Rutgers Professional Golf Turf Management School – Soils II: Soil chemistry and fertility. Spring 2010. 10 week program. 80 minute lecture. 1x per week. 40 students. Rutgers University, School of Environmental and Biological Sciences, Office of Continuing Professional Education.

Undergraduate Course – Turfgrass Management – 11:776:304 – 4 credits. Fall 2009: 2/3 of class lectures for the semester - 80 minute period 2x per week, and Full semester 160 minute laboratory -1x per week. 10 students. Rutgers University, School of Environmental and Biological Sciences, Department of Plant Biology and Pathology.

Rutgers Professional Golf Turf Management School – Soils II: Soil chemistry and fertility. Fall 2009. 10 week program. 80 minute lecture. 1x per week. 37 students. Rutgers University, School of Environmental and Biological Sciences, Office of Continuing Professional Education.

Rutgers Professional Golf Turf Management School – Soils II: Soil chemistry and fertility. Spring 2009. 10 week program. 80 minute lecture. 1x per week. 45 students. Rutgers University, School of Environmental and Biological Sciences, Office of Continuing Professional Education.

Undergraduate Course – Turfgrass Management – 11:776:304 – 4 credits. Fall 2008: 2/3 of class lectures for the semester - 80 minute period 2x per week, and Full semester 160 minute laboratory -1x per week. 14 students. Rutgers University, Cook College, Department of Plant Biology and Pathology.

Rutgers Professional Golf Turf Management School – Soils II: Soil chemistry and fertility. Fall 2008. 10 week program. 80 minute lecture. 1x per week. 35 students. Rutgers University, Cook College, Office of Continuing Professional Education.

Rutgers Professional Golf Turf Management School – Soils II: Soil chemistry and fertility. Spring 2008. 10 week program. 80 minute lecture. 1x per week. 45 students. Rutgers University, Cook College, Office of Continuing Professional Education.

Undergraduate Course – Turfgrass Management – 11:776:304 – 4 credits. Fall 2007: 2/3 of class lectures for the semester - 80 minute period 2x per week, and Full semester 160 minute laboratory -1x per week. 13 students.

Rutgers University, Cook College, Department of Plant Biology and Pathology.

Rutgers Professional Golf Turf Management School – Soils II: Soil chemistry and fertility. Fall 2007. 10 week program. 80 minute lecture. 1x per week. 40 students. Rutgers University, Cook College, Office of Continuing Professional Education.

Rutgers Professional Golf Turf Management School – Soils II: Soil chemistry and fertility. Spring 2007. 10 week program. 80 minute lecture. 1x per week. 45 students. Rutgers University, Cook College, Office of Continuing Professional Education.

Undergraduate Course – Turfgrass Management – 11:776:304 – 4 credits. Fall 2006: 2/3 of class lectures for the semester - 80 minute period 2x per week, and Full semester 160 minute laboratory -1x per week. 11 students. Rutgers University, Cook College, Department of Plant Biology and Pathology.

Rutgers Professional Golf Turf Management School – Soils II: Soil chemistry and fertility. Fall 2006. 10 week program. 80 minute lecture. 1x per week. 45 students. Rutgers University, Cook College, Office of Continuing Professional Education.

Rutgers Professional Golf Turf Management School – Soils II: Soil chemistry and fertility. Spring 2006. 10 week program. 80 minute lecture. 1x per week. 45 students. Rutgers University, Cook College, Office of Continuing Professional Education.

Undergraduate Course – Turfgrass Management – 11:776:304 – 4 credits. Fall 2005: 2/3 of class lectures for the semester - 80 minute period 2x per week, and Full semester 160 minute laboratory -1x per week. 8 students. Rutgers University, Cook College, Department of Plant Biology and Pathology.

Rutgers Professional Golf Turf Management School – Soils II: Soil chemistry and fertility. Fall 2005. 10 week program. 80 minute lecture. 1x per week. 28 students. Rutgers University, Cook College, Office of Continuing Professional Education.

Rutgers Professional Golf Turf Management School – Soils II: Soil chemistry and fertility. Spring 2005. 10 week program. 80 minute lecture. 1x per week. 45 students. Rutgers University, Cook College, Office of Continuing Professional Education.

Undergraduate Course – Turfgrass Management – 11:776:304 – 4 credits. Fall 2004: 1/3 of class lectures for the semester. 80 minute period 2x per week, and Full semester 160 minute laboratory -1x per week. 9 students. Rutgers University, Cook College, Department of Plant Biology and Pathology.

Rutgers Professional Golf Turf Management School – Soils II: Soil chemistry and fertility. Fall 2004. 10 week program. 80 minute lecture. 1x per week. 45 students each semester. Rutgers University, Cook College, Office of Continuing Professional Education.

Rutgers Professional Golf Turf Management School – Soils II: Soil chemistry and fertility. Spring 2004. 10 week program. 80 minute lecture. 1x per week. 45 students. Rutgers University, Cook College, Office of Continuing Professional Education.

Undergraduate Course – Turfgrass Management – 11:776:304 – 4 credits. Fall 2003. 160 minute laboratory. 1x per week. 17 students. Additional 3 guest lectures for lecture section of class: Introduction to soils, soil physical properties, soil chemical properties and fertility. Rutgers University, Cook College, Department of Plant Biology and Pathology.

Rutgers Professional Golf Turf Management School – Soils II: Soil chemistry and fertility. Fall 2003. 10 week program. 80 minute lecture. 1x per week. 45 students. Rutgers University, Cook College, Office of Continuing Professional Education.

Guest Lecture: *In* Soils I, Rutgers Professional Golf Turf Management School. Understanding sand based root zone putting green construction. 80 minute lecture. 45 students. March 5, 2002. Rutgers University, Cook College, Office of Continuing Professional Education.

Guest Lecture: *In* Soils I, Rutgers Professional Golf Turf Management School. Structure of clays. 80 minute lecture. 45 students. January 17, 2002. Rutgers University, Cook College, Office of Continuing Professional Education.

Guest Lecture: *In* Soils I, Rutgers Professional Golf Turf Management School. Soil texture and physical properties. 80 minute lecture. 45 students. January 10, 2002. Rutgers University, Cook College, Office of Continuing Professional Education.

Guest Lecture: *In* Soils I, Rutgers Professional Golf Turf Management School. Introduction to Soils and Soil Classification. 80 minute lecture. 45 students. January 4, 2002. Rutgers University, Cook College, Office of Continuing Professional Education.

Guest Lecture: *In* Soils I, Rutgers Professional Golf Turf Management School. Sand based root zone construction. 80 minute lecture. 45 students. March 2, 2001. Rutgers University, Cook College, Office of Continuing Professional Education.

Guest Lecture: *In* Soils I, Rutgers Professional Golf Turf Management School. USGA soil physical property testing. 160 minute laboratory. 45 students. February 22, 2001. Rutgers University, Cook College, Office of Continuing Professional Education.

Guest Lecture: *In* Soils I, Rutgers Professional Golf Turf Management School. Sand based root zone construction. 80 minute lecture. 45 students. November 6, 2000. Rutgers University, Cook College, Office of Continuing Professional Education.

Guest Lecture: *In* Soils I, Rutgers Professional Golf Turf Management School. USGA soil physical property testing. 160 minute laboratory. 45 students. October 11, 2000. Rutgers University, Cook College, Office of Continuing Professional Education.

Guest Lecture: *In* Fine and Sports Turf – Undergraduate class. Understanding sand based root zone construction for putting greens and sports fields. 80 minute lecture. 10 students. April 10, 2000. Rutgers University, Cook College, Department of Plant Biology and Pathology.

Guest Lecture: *In* Soils I, Rutgers Professional Golf Turf Management School. Sand based root zone construction. 80 minute lecture. 45 students. February 24, 2000. Rutgers University, Cook College, Office of Continuing Professional Education.

Guest Lecture: *In* Soils I, Rutgers Professional Golf Turf Management School. Sand based root zone construction. 80 minute lecture. 45 students. December 3, 1999. Rutgers University, Cook College, Office of Continuing Professional Education.

Guest Lecture: *In* Turfgrass Management – Undergraduate Class. Turfgrass Soil Physical Properties. 13 students. October 28, 1999. Rutgers University, Cook College, Department of Plant Biology and Pathology.

Guest Lecture: *In* Turfgrass Management – Undergraduate Class. Annual Bluegrass/Creeping Bentgrass competition. 15 students. October 14, 1998. Rutgers University, Cook College, Department of Plant Biology and Pathology.

### Competitive External Grants

E. Watkins, S. A. Bonos, N. Anderson, S. Bauer, B. S. Bushman, B. Clarke, A. Hegeman, **J. A. Honig**, B. Horgan, B. Huang, P. Koch, A. Kowalewski, W. A. Meyer, J. A. Murphy, K. Nelson, A. Patton, S. Shekhar, C. Yue, and N. Zhang. National Institute of Food and Agriculture (USDA-NIFA), Specialty Crops Research Initiative, Grant Number 2017-03196. Increasing low-input turfgrass adoption through breeding, innovation, and public education.

Duration: 09/11/2017 – 08/31/2021

Commitment: \$5.4 million

S. A. Mehlenbacher (PI), N. Wiman (CO-PI), T. J. Molnar (CO-PI), **J. A. Honig (CO-PI)**, B. Hillman (CO-PI), S. Josiah (CO-PI), D. Farar (CO-PI). National Institute of Food and Agriculture (USDA-NIFA), Specialty Crops Research Initiative, Grant Number 2016-51181-25412. Genomic tools, genetic resources, and outreach to expand commercial U.S. hazelnut production.

Duration: 09/16/2016 – 08/31/2021

Commitment: \$3.1 million (Rutgers portion: \$1,081,365)

T. J. Molnar (PI), **J. A. Honig (CO-PI)**, and S. A. Mehlenbacher (CO-PI). National Institute of Food and Agriculture (USDA-NIFA). Securing and Expanding the U.S. Hazelnut Industry through Breeding for Resistance to Eastern Filbert Blight.

Duration: 09/15/2014 – 09/14/2016

Commitment: \$500,000

National Turfgrass Evaluation Program. Simple Sequence Repeat (SSR) Genotyping of 2011 National Turfgrass Evaluation Program Kentucky bluegrass test. **J. A. Honig (PI)**, S. A. Bonos (CO-PI), and W. A. Meyer (CO-PI).

Duration: 2013-2014 Commitment: \$32,000 United States Golf Association. *Confirmation of QTL markers for dollar spot resistance in creeping bentgrass*. S. A. Bonos, **J. A. Honig,** and C. Kubik

Duration: 2007-2009 Commitment: \$50,000

United States Golf Association. Evaluation of perennial ryegrass, creeping bentgrass and Kentucky bluegrass for salt tolerance. S. A. Bonos, J. A. Honig, T. Gianfagna, B. Huang and W. A. Meyer

Duration: 2007-2010 Commitment: \$75,000

OJ Noer Research Foundation. *Evaluation and selection of salt tolerant cool-season turfgrasses.* S. A. Bonos, **J. A. Honig,** T. Gianfagna, B. Huang and W. A. Meyer

Duration: 2006-2009 Commitment: \$45,000

United States Golf Association and Golf Course Superintendents Association of America. *Longer Term Assessment of Putting Green Root Zone Mixes Under Two Microenvironments*. J. A. Murphy, **J. A. Honig**, S. L. Murphy, D. Giminez and B. B. Clarke

Duration: 2001-2004 Commitment: \$90,000

United States Golf Association. *Cultivar and Traffic Effects on Population Dynamics of Agrostis spp. and Poa annua Mixtures.* J. A. Murphy, **J. A. Honig**, W. A. Meyer and B. B. Clarke

Duration: 1998-2000 Commitment: \$74,820

### State Extension Presentations

2010 Rutgers/NJTA Research Field Days. Characterization of Kentucky Bluegrass cultivars and accessions using DNA markers. 200 participants over 2 days.

2001 Rutgers/NJTA Research Field Day. Sand-based root zone research update. 200 participants.

2000 Rutgers/NJTA Research Field Day. Sand-based root zone research update. 150 participants.

2000 Rutgers/NJTA Research Field Day. Creeping bentgrass/annual bluegrass competition studies. 150 participants.

1999 Rutgers/NJTA Research Field Day. Sand-based root zone research update: Amendments used in golf putting green root zone construction. 175 participants.

1999 Rutgers/NJTA Research Field Day. Sand-based root zone research update: Sand-size distributions used in golf putting green root zone construction. 175 participants.

1999 Rutgers/NJTA Research Field Day. Creeping bentgrass/annual bluegrass competition studies. 175 participants.

1998 Rutgers/NJTA Research Field Day. Sand-based root zone research update: Amendments used in golf putting green root zone construction. 150 participants.

1998 Rutgers/NJTA Research Field Day. Sand-based root zone research update: Sand-size distributions used in golf putting green root zone construction. 150 participants.

1998 Rutgers/NJTA Research Field Day. Creeping bentgrass/annual bluegrass competition studies. 150 participants.

1997 Rutgers/NJTA Research Field Day. Sand-based root zone construction in two microenvironments. 175 participants.

1997 Rutgers/NJTA Research Field Day. Creeping bentgrass/annual bluegrass competition studies. 175 participants.

1996 Rutgers/NJTA Research Field Day. Control of annual bluegrass in creeping bentgrass cultivars using Ethofumesate (Prograss). 175 participants.

#### Service

Audio and Visual Committee Chair: 13<sup>th</sup> International Turfgrass Research Conference. Hosted by Rutgers University, Center for Turfgrass Science. New Brunswick, NJ. July 16-21, 2017.

Technical Tour Committee Member: 13<sup>th</sup> International Turfgrass Research Conference. Hosted by Rutgers University, Center for Turfgrass Science. New Brunswick, NJ. July 16-21, 2017.

Chair, Symposium Organizing Committee: 26<sup>th</sup> Annual Rutgers Turfgrass Symposium. New Brunswick, NJ. October 2016 – January 2017.

Manuscript review: Utilization of Genomic Simple Sequence Repeat Markers to Study Diversity and reproductive biology of *Danthonia spicata*. Crop Science. Nov. 2016.

Editor: Proceedings of the 25th Rutgers Turfgrass Symposium. New Brunswick, NJ. March 18, 2016.

Manuscript review: Genome Sequencing and High-Density Genetic Map for European Hazelnut (*Corylus avellana* L.). Tree Genetics and Genomes. Nov. 2015.

Undergraduate Recruiting Coordinator for the Rutgers Center for Turfgrass Science (recruitment of students for the Plant Biology Undergraduate Program, with specific interest in the Horticulture and Turf Industry Option) – 02/01/14 – *present* 

Curriculum/Academic Advisor to the Rutgers Professional Golf Turf Management Program, SEBS Office of Continuing Professional Education – 10/1/13 – present

Lead Scientist, Rutgers DNA Genotyping Laboratory (Core Facility serving all of Rutgers School of Environmental and Biological Sciences) – 2011 – *present* 

#### Student Mentoring

#### **GRADUATE STUDENTS:**

Justin Lombardoni – <u>Ph. D. Graduate Committee member</u> – 2017– *present* Research project(s): hazelnut breeding and genetics; hazelnut genetic diversity using Genotyping by Sequencing (GBS)

Lauren Poster – 2017– *present*Research project(s): Blueberry genetic diversity using SSR markers

Phillip Vines – <u>Ph. D. Graduate Committee member</u> – 2016 – *present*Research project(s): Genotyping By Sequencing (GBS) for Perennial
Ryegrass genetic linkage mapping

Megan Muehlbauer – <u>Ph. D. Graduate Committee member</u> – 2012 – *present* 

Research project(s): Hazelnut genetic diversity; *Anisograma anomola* genetic diversity

Robert Pyne – 2014 – *present* 

Research project(s): Basil genetic diversity; Genotyping By Sequencing (GBS) for Basil genetic linkage mapping

Vincenzo Averello – <u>M.S. Graduate Committee member</u> – 2013 – *present* Research project(s): Tall Fescue genetic diversity

Stephanie Fong – 2014 – *present* 

Research project(s): Cranberry genetic linkage mapping

April Jackson – 2014 – present

Research project(s): Maple population genetics

Melodie Vives (visiting M.S. Graduate student) – 2014 – 2015 Research project(s): Dogwood genetic diversity; Fine Fescue genetic diversity

Robert Mattera – <u>M.S. Graduate Committee member</u> – 2013 – 2015 Research project(s): Dogwood genetic diversity

Ari Novy - 2011 - 2012

Research projects(s): *Microstegium* genetic diversity/population genetics

#### **UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS:**

Janine Tobia – 2016 – present

Research project(s): Genetic diversity of Hazelnut germplasm

Julianne Davis – 2014 – 2015

Research project(s): qRT-PCR test development for detection of Hazelnut pathogens

Megan Kelly -2014 - 2015

Research project(s): Maple genetic diversity

Kaitlin Morie – 2014

Research projects(s): Hazelnut genetic diversity

Vincenzo Averello – 2011 – 2012

Research project(s): Kentucky bluegrass genetic diversity