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Job Title Junior / Assistant Specialist - Evolutionary Genetics of

Fungi - Department of Plant and Microbial Biology

**Department** Plant and Microbial Biology

**Institution** University of California Berkeley

Berkeley, California

Date Posted Mar. 24, 2025

**Application Deadline** 04/21/2025

Position Start Date Available immediately

Job Categories Research Scientist/Associate

Academic Field(s) Botany/Plant Sciences

Biology - Microbiology Biology - Computational

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**Job Description** 

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#### Position overview

Position title: Junior Specialist, Assistant Specialist

Salary range:



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The UC academic salary scales set the minimum pay determined by rank and step at appointment. See the following table(s) for the current salary scale(s) for this position: <a href="https://www.ucop.edu/academic-personnel-programs/\_files/2024-25/july-2024-scales/t24-b.pdf">https://www.ucop.edu/academic-personnel-programs/\_files/2024-25/july-2024-scales/t24-b.pdf</a>. A reasonable full-time salary estimate for this position is \$53,100 - \$68,300

Percent time: 100

Anticipated start: Summer 2025

Position duration: One year with the possibility of extension based on performance and availability of

funding.

**Application Window** 

Open date:March 21, 2025

**Next review date:** Friday, Apr 4, 2025 at 11:59pm (Pacific Time) Apply by this date to ensure full consideration by the committee.

Final date: Monday, Apr 21, 2025 at 11:59pm (Pacific Time)

Applications will continue to be accepted until this date, but those received after the review date will only be considered if the position has not yet been filled.

## Position description

The Department of Plant and Microbial Biology (PMB) within the Rausser College of Natural Resources (RCNR) at the University of California, Berkeley (UCB) seeks applications for a Junior to Assistant Specialist in Dr. Rachel Brem's Lab in the area of Evolutionary Genetics of Fungi.

The Brem lab is a highly inclusive and collaborative environment, that studies how organisms acquire new traits that allow them to thrive in their environments.

The Junior or Assistant Specialist's primary focus will be to investigate the genetic mechanisms of evolution using fungi as a model. By collaborating with Graduate Student lab members, who are working to discover the genes that underlie differences between fungal species in growth, metabolism, and development.

The Junior or Assistant Specialist will provide research support to a variety of the lab's methods, including; classical, high-throughput culture, transformation, and growth assays of yeast and



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filamentous fungi; high-throughput sequencing library preparation; and bacterial transformation, growth, plasmid purification, restriction enzyme digestion for analytical and cloning purposes, agarose gel purification of restricted bands, ligation of DNA fragments.

Job Duties (while not limited to) may include assistance with the development and maintenance of:

- Detailed records of the experiments performed and conclusions made, and potential outcomes
- Communicating results orally, through active participation at weekly lab meetings
- Daily record keeping in the laboratory notebook (including written protocols for new assays)
- Graphing cumulative data as it is generated
- Interpreting data and drawing conclusions
- Preparation and participation with experiments, at times more than one per day
- Complete assigned background reading/research, as necessary for the progression of research projects
- · Assisting with publications of research results

### Qualifications

**Basic qualifications** (required at time of application)

Bachelor's degree (or equivalent international degree) or enrolled in a Bachelor's degree (or equivalent international degree) program.

## Additional qualifications (required at time of start)

Bachelor's degree (or equivalent international degree).

### Preferred qualifications

Demonstrated experience performing experiments, including:

- Planning
- Data Documentation
- Communication of findings and/or results

Demonstrated experience with experimental procedures, including;

- Trouble-shooting for on-going research, and the associated protocols
- Development of protocols for new research and/or projects

Applied experience in the areas of;



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- · Computational genomics and/or
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## **Application Requirements**

## **Document requirements**

- Curriculum Vitae Your most recently updated C.V.
- Cover Letter

## Reference requirements

• 2 required (contact information only)

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- UC Anti-Discrimination Policy for Employees, Students and Third Parties
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Job location Berkeley, CA

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