

# GLOSSARY OF TERMS

- APS** – American Phytopathological Society, the premiere professional society for plant pathologists
- APT** – Appointments, Promotion and Tenure document that details criteria and procedures regarding faculty appointments
- ASV** – American Society for Virologists
- ATI** – Agricultural Technical Institute, two-year technical college on the campus of the Ohio Agricultural Research and Development Center in Wooster, part of CFAES
- Buckeyelink** – buckeyelink.osu.edu is the website portal which houses student accounts, scheduling, academic and other related information
- Carmen** – Ohio State’s course management system (web template for OSU courses by Desire2Learn). Many (but not all) courses will use this site for class assignments, readings, handouts etc. Access [carmen.osu.edu](http://carmen.osu.edu); log in with your name.number and password. You will have "student" access for each course in which you are enrolled.
- CABS** – Campus Area Bus Service on the Columbus campus (no fee). The Columbus city bus service is the Central Ohio Transit Authority, or COTA
- Campus Parc** - ([osu.campusparc.com](http://osu.campusparc.com)) Responsible for managing Columbus campus parking, fees, special events and related areas
- CAPS** – Center for Applied Plant Sciences
- CFAES** – College of Food, Agricultural, and Environmental Sciences
- CGS** – Council of Graduate Students, Ohio State organization that represents graduate students at the university
- CommTech** – now called the Communications unit which provides communications and marketing services for the College of Food, Agricultural, and Environmental Sciences. A Technology unit with provides computer services
- C.O.R.N.** – Crop Observation and Recommendation Network, timely recommendations provided by the OSU Extension Agronomic Crops Team ([corn.osu.edu](http://corn.osu.edu))
- COTA** – Central Ohio Transit Authority, the city bus service in Columbus
- ENLTT** – Extension Nursery Landscape and Turf Team
- eRequest** – Purchase requests (including requests for use of the credit card) are initiated at [erequest.osu.edu](http://erequest.osu.edu)
- FABE** – Department of Food, Agricultural, and Biological Engineering
- FAHRP** – Food Animal Health Research Program (OARDC program with food safety and animal health focus)
- FERPA** – The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974, as amended (otherwise known as FERPA), sets forth requirements regarding the privacy of student records.
- FTE** – Full-time equivalency. The percentage of full time (40 hours per work week) worked during the period covered by a given appointment
- GA** – Graduate Associateship, which can include graduate research associateships (GRAs), graduate teaching associateships (GTAs), and graduate administrative associateships (GAAs).
- GRA** – Graduate Research Associateship
- GSC** – Graduate Studies Committee
- HCS** – Department of Horticulture and Crop Science
- iAgri** – Innovative Agricultural Research Initiative (research program in Tanzania)
- Kowlett** - Seminar series for plant topics/programs in Kottman and Howlett Halls, Columbus
- NRC** – National Research Council
- MCIC** – Molecular and Cellular Imaging Center; OARDC center that provides equipment and services for microscopy, genomics and molecular biology (Selby Hall in Wooster; Kottman Hall in Columbus)

**MPHM** – Master in Plant Health Management, professional master's degree administered by Plant Pathology and Entomology

**NIFA** - National Institute of Food and Agriculture, an agency within the USDA that provides leadership and funding for agriculture-related sciences

**OARDC** – Ohio Agricultural Research and Development Center, the research arm of the College of Food, Agricultural, and Environmental Sciences

**ODA** – Ohio Department of Agriculture

**ODEE** – Office of Distance Education and e-Learning

**OIA** – Office of International Affairs, this office processes immigration documents and provides services for international students and scholars

**OIT** – Office of Information Technology provides services and resources related to computer technology, including e-mail accounts,

**OFFER** – Organic Food and Farm Educational Research program, part of OARDC and CFAES

**OPBC** – Ohio Plant Biotechnology Consortium, a collaborative group of scientists across Ohio. OPBC hosts an annual research conference and a competitive grants program.

**OPDN** – Ohio Plant Diagnostic network encompasses the diagnostic resources of Ohio State and the Ohio Department of Agriculture, located in the ODA Plant Health Diagnostic Laboratory in Reynoldsbur. OPDN is part of the National Plant Diagnostic Network ([npdn.osu.edu](http://npdn.osu.edu))

**OSC** – Ohio Soybean Council, which manages Ohio's soybean checkoff funds research, promotion and communication initiatives

**OSU** – a common abbreviation for The Ohio State University (not to be confused with Oregon State University or Oklahoma State University)

**OSU GF** – OSU General Funds, synonymous with Academic Programs

**OJAB** - Ohio Union and Activities Board - host and sponsor activities to enhance the student experience, primarily on the Columbus campus, including programming specifically for Graduate and Professional Students

**P & T** – Departmental Promotion and Tenure Committee

**POA** – Pattern Of Administration, a document describing a unit or department's policies and procedures for governance

**PHARM** – Plant Health and Resource Management Forum, Plant Pathology's undergraduate student organization

**PPDC** – C. Wayne Ellett Plant and Pest Diagnostic Clinic

**PPGSA** – Plant Pathology Graduate Students Organization

**SAC** – Student Advisory Committee

**SEI** – Student Evaluation of Instruction (online system to evaluator course instructors at end of the term)

**SENR** – OSU School of Environment and Natural Resources, part of CFAES

**SIS** – Student Information System

**SON** - Society of Nematologists

**TPS** - Translational Plant Sciences (interdisciplinary Ph.D. program)

**USB** – United Soybean Board - administers soybean checkoff activities for research and market development

**USAID** – independent federal agency that provide U.S. economic and humanitarian assistance worldwide

**USDA** – U.S. Department of Agriculture

**USDA ARS** – USDA Agricultural Research Service; research arm of this agency

**WAMBA** – Wooster Area Molecular Biology Association, seminars and networking gatherings

**Zoom** – video/webinar system for meetings, seminars etc. (similar to Skype)