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; log in with your name, number and password. You will have "student" access for each course in which you are enrolled.

CarmenConnect – Ohio State’s Adobe Connect web-conferencing system (not to be confused with Carmen); primarily used for meetings, seminars and some distance courses.

CABS – Campus Area Bus Service on the Columbus campus (no fee). The Columbus city bus service is the Central Ohio Transit Authority, or COTA

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)

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

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

OARD – 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)

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

OUAB - 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

RBB – Responsibility Based Budgeting, formula-based budget model for the OSU General Funds allocation to university departments (pertaining to academic programs)

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