Background
UC Davis Continuing and Professional Education – International (CPE-I) is the continuing and professional education element of the University of California, Davis. UC Davis CPE-I’s International Programs office designs and implements both English language and professional training programs for a variety of institutions. Programs offered through UC Davis CPE-I are characterized by an uncompromising commitment to academic quality and exceptional teaching.

The Japanese Agricultural Training Program was initially conceived in the 1950’s as a means of improving Japan’s agriculture via the transfer of U.S. technology and farming methods. It has evolved into a program that offers opportunities for young Japanese farmers to learn and study in the US providing comprehensive academic as well as on-the-farm training. Additionally, trainee insight into American culture and institutions is developed through participation in host family and community activities.

The goal of this year’s 9-week program is to give the students vocationally and professionally-oriented training, both theoretical and practical, which covers aspects in the following five fields of specialization: fruit, vegetable (sustainable and conventional), ornamental horticulture and livestock. Students are college-age Japanese men and women with varying education levels.

Job Description
UC Davis CPE-I is currently recruiting one lead instructor with technical knowledge and experience in Fruit. Instructors are expected to:

- Conduct independent research focusing on current trends and ‘hot topics’ in the respective field
- Translate the outputs of that research into a seminar-type course that will meet for 33 sessions over the nine weeks.
- Develop handouts, activities, assignments, and practical exercises as needed.
- Lead class sessions and serve as point person for the course
- Secure guest lecturers as needed
- Organize and accompany students on Field Visits

Instructors will work in partnership with one another and the project coordinator to design and plan the nine week program, then lead the program activities in their field of specialization. The course meets 4 days per week M-T-TH-F either from 9:30am-12pm or 1pm-3:30pm depending on program schedule. Each specialty will meet at the same time for those days for the duration of the program.

Job Requirements
Applicants should have the following qualifications:

- Current enrollment in or completion of graduate studies in a field related to the specialization
Strong desire for a significant cross-cultural teaching experience
Excellent interpersonal skills, be an effective communicator (speaking, listening and writing), responsible, self-starter, and able to work with minimum supervision.
Working knowledge of computers, especially word processing, and spreadsheets.
Availability for the duration of the program.

Compensation
The position will be structured as a compensation agreement with pay of $4000 for the program.

To express interest please send an email with current resume to Sandy Montross slmontross@ucdavis.edu. 

The deadline is until the position is filled.