

EXPERIMENT INITIATION PROCEEDURE

1. Develop a detailed experiment protocol specifying the following:

1. Crop and scope of work.
2. Target temperature range and supplemental lighting needs.
3. Size and quantity of pots needed (refer to supply list for pot types offered)
4. Media type: potting mix, field soil or a custom blend
5. Fertilizer needs (refer to supply list for fertilizer blends offered)
6. Any pesticide application restrictions

*Note - Projects are placed on a first come, first served basis. We approve space based on crop type, cultural needs, and scope of work. We do not just assign a space to a professor. Each new project needs a new formal outline submitted.

2. Speak with the station Associate Director

Discuss the proposed research plan and the assignment of work details. This information will be necessary on the formal request.

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3. When the plan has been agreed upon, submit the request for space

<https://sites.auburn.edu/academic/ag/research/experiments/Pages/request.aspx>

You will receive a confirmation email when the Associate Director and the Regional Director have approved the work. No work may begin until all approvals are received.

4. Attend Worker Protection Standards (WPS) training at the PSRC complex to receive access to the facility.

Email Jessica Armstrong at jmb0058@auburn.edu to schedule training and request after-hours access to the building/ greenhouse. This training must be performed annually per EPA standards.

5. Schedule planting/filling your approved space with the online scheduler

Once the formal request is approved, schedule a time and date to use the potting facility and PSRC supplies

<https://forms.gle/Lt3Tj1AQcMpcTnnP7>

6. Arrive on your planting date on time, with all necessary supplies, prepared to get started!

We will show you how to load and run the mixer, efficient ways to fill pots, etc.

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