IPBGG extends a hearty welcome to the following three new students for Spring Semester 2016:

Winnie Gimode

Ms. Winnie Gimode is an IPBGG Research Assistant in the Ph.D. program for 2016. She is working with Dr. Cecilia McGregor, and her duties include greenhouse, field and laboratory research, as well as training in the vegetable breeding program.

Winnie received her Bachelor of Science (2010) and Master of Science (2014) degrees in Biochemistry from Kenyatta University, Nairobi.

During her MS studies, she worked at the Kenya Medical Research Institute, 2012-2014. She was also employed there as a research assistant during 2015, concurrently working part-time as a lecturer in biochemistry at Mount Kenya University.

Winnie arrived at UGA from Kenya in December 2015. Please welcome Winnie to UGA, her work space is located in Miller Plant Sciences, room 1102B. Her email address is: wrgimode@uga.edu.
Alexis Ramos

Mr. Alexis Ramos is an IPBGG Research Assistant for 2016, in the Master’s program. He is working with Dr. Esther van der Knaap. His duties include the phenotypic and genetic characterization of tomato varieties as well as the development of pre-breeding lines.

Alexis received a Bachelor of Science degree in Biology from Florida International University (FIU) in 2015.

He arrived at UGA from Miami, Florida in January 2016. His previous work experience includes: USDA ARS internship, undergraduate research assistant at FIU, veterinary technician, and sales.

Please welcome Alexis, he works in CAGT, room 124. His email address is: alexis.ramos25@uga.edu.

Amanda Webb

Ms. Amanda Webb is a student in the IPBGG Master’s program for 2016. She is working with Dr. Brian Schwartz. She currently serves as a research professional in the UGA Crop and Soil Sciences Department, Tifton. Some of her plant breeding duties include: seed germination, data collection, plant propagation, and greenhouse plant maintenance.

Amanda received a Bachelor of Science degree in AgriScience and Environmental Systems from the University of Georgia in 2005.

Additional work experience includes an administrative position at ABAC (1998-2000), agriculture research assistant/lab worker (2000-2004), and student lab worker (2004-2006). Ms. Webb has been in the UGA Crop and Soil Sciences Department in Tifton since 2006. Please welcome Amanda, she works in NESPAL, room 121. Her email address is: Alwebb77@uga.edu.