**Graduate Student Exit Interview Questions**

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| Name |  | | | |
| Date |  | | Interviewer |  |
| Degree Program / Advisor | |  | | |

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| 1. Why did you choose to pursue an advanced degree in Plant and Soil Sciences at OSU? |  |
| 1. If you were to start over, would you make the same decision? Why or why not? |  |
| 1. What are your plans for the future? |  |
| 1. Do you feel your graduate program has prepared you for your future plans? |  |
| 1. Are there areas in which you still feel weak or would have liked more emphasis or more training? |  |
| 1. What courses were the most beneficial to you? How or why? |  |
| 1. What courses were of least value to you? Why? |  |
| 1. Think of the best instructor you’ve had and describe to me what made that person a good teacher. |  |
| 1. Do you know what interdisciplinary means? Do you feel that your graduate work has given you an appreciation for the interdisciplinary nature of the field? If not, what could we do better? |  |
| 1. Do you know what mentoring is? Do you feel like you received adequate mentoring as you progressed through your program? How can we improve the mentoring process in the department? |  |
| 1. Did you have access to the monetary resources and equipment you needed for your research project? If not, what were you missing? |  |
| 1. What were your most positive experiences in the department? |  |
| 1. What were your most negative experiences in the department? |  |
| 1. In what ways can the department improve? |  |
| 1. Would you recommend OSU’s Plant and Soil Sciences graduate program to a relative or close friend considering graduate study? Why or why not? |  |
| 1. Now that you are going to be an alumnus, what kinds of communication would you like to receive from the department? |  |
| 1. Is there any additional information you would like to provide as part of this exit interview? |  |