



# Are you ready to become a NIAB Field Trials Assistant?

You will be assisting the NIAB Regional Team to deliver field trials across a wide range of crop species, which may vary by geographical location. This may involve seed preparation, drilling, in-season assessments, chemical applications and harvest. You will become familiar with what it takes to successfully deliver a field trial, whilst gaining an understanding of how information generated from trials work influences the wider agricultural industry. Opportunities are available at NIAB Regional Centres across the UK.

## Register for a 2019 NIAB Placement

### Summer Placement

- 3 months - ideal between academic years
  - Experience of working on a wide range of agricultural trials
  - Access to ARTIS e-learning platform
  - Opportunity to attend a local NIAB Open Day
- ◇ Late-season assessments including disease and grass weeds
  - ◇ Combining of yield trials
  - ◇ Seed handling
  - ◇ Involvement with trial planning
  - ◇ Trial husbandry

### Extended Placement

- Between 3-12 months- more suitable for industrial placements/year out
  - Experience of working on a wide range of agricultural trials
  - Access to ARTIS e-learning platform
  - Attendance at three ARTIS courses
  - Funding and support through PA1 and PA6 courses
  - Cereal Crop Inspector training
  - NIAB Student membership package
  - NIAB Mentor
  - Opportunity to gather data for academic projects e.g. dissertation
- ◇ Involvement with trial planning
  - ◇ Seed handling
  - ◇ Drilling of trial plots
  - ◇ Trial husbandry and assessment
  - ◇ Pesticide applications, in line with protocol documents
  - ◇ Use of trial specific software to help with trial management
  - ◇ Combining of yield trials
  - ◇ Gaining experience of a whole trial season, and all that this entails



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