



POSITION VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

Assistant Professor of Entomology, Forest Entomology

November 2021

ACADEMIC RANK: Assistant Professor, twelve-month, tenure track appointment, research responsibility (75%), teaching responsibility (25%).

WORK LOCATION: Department of Entomology, Louisiana State University, Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

POSITION DESCRIPTION: The successful applicant will develop and conduct an active research program in the area of Forest Entomology to include development of strategies to manage forest pests or forest health. This position requires a balance of research to improve our fundamental understanding of insects in forest ecosystems as well as field-oriented research to address evolving pest problems. Expertise of the incumbent and needs of the stakeholders will influence research direction. Applications are solicited from individuals with a wide range of expertise (e.g., chemical ecology, invasive species, insect pathology, global climate change, population dynamics, or ecosystem and landscape ecology). The position requires cooperation and collaboration with research and extension personnel in LSU's School of Renewable Natural Resources, the Louisiana Department of Agriculture and Forestry, other state and federal agencies, and with stakeholders in the forest industry. The successful applicant will be expected to obtain competitive, extramural funding, participate in graduate student training as a member of the Graduate Faculty of Louisiana State University, and serve as a liaison to the forestry industry. The incumbent will be responsible for teaching a course in insect ecology and an additional course in their area of expertise and will contribute to other aspects of the academic program of the Department.

QUALIFICATION REQUIREMENTS: The applicant must have a Ph.D. degree (when the successful applicant begins employment) in Entomology or a closely related biological discipline. A demonstrated potential to function as a research leader is important, as well as outstanding oral and written communication skills necessary for peer-reviewed research and effective interaction with a variety of audiences and stakeholders associated with a land-grant university. The LSU AgCenter and College of Agriculture are dedicated to diversity and inclusion in programs and employment.

SALARY AND BENEFITS: Salary will be commensurate with qualifications and experience. The LSU AgCenter has an attractive benefits package with a wide variety of benefit options. Benefits offered include retirement, multiple medical insurance options, supplemental insurances (dental, life, long-term disability, accident, vision, long-term care, etc.), Tax Saver Flexible Benefits Plan (saves tax dollars on some child care and medical expenses), university holidays (14 per year, typically includes a week off at Christmas), generous annual (vacation) and sick leave benefits, Employee Assistance Program, and possible educational leave and tuition exemption for coursework at campuses of the LSU System. Specific benefits depend on job category, percent effort and length of employment.

APPLICATION DEADLINE: 31 January 2022 or until suitable applicant is found

APPLICATION PROCEDURE: Must apply online at <https://lsusystemcareers.lsu.edu> by attaching a letter of application that includes statements of research and teaching interests, a vita, and names and contact information of three references.

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