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Extension Educator – Insect Diagnostician (Entomology)

We are seeking to fill an Insect Diagnostician position in the Department of Entomology, University of Nebraska-Lincoln. Responsibilities include developing and delivering educational programs and resources as an active participant in one or more of Nebraska Extension’s statewide issue teams. The Diagnostician will also provide state-wide, regional, and national leadership in developing rapid, innovative insect diagnostics. This could include machine learning or other technologies to provide basic diagnostics with automated reporting to state and national records. The Diagnostician will train extension personnel, UNL students, faculty, staff, and other professionals in the new insect diagnostic technologies; lead and innovate Nebraska’s identification, surveillance, and mapping of invasive and threatening arthropod species, especially those of economic importance; and connect regionally to network on species of concern and engage Nebraskans and others in citizen science projects around invasive species topics.

We have an excellent opportunity for a full-time faculty position located in Lincoln, Nebraska and serving Nebraska. We are seeking a self-directed individual able to work in a flexible environment. The focus of this position will be providing insect diagnostics as an essential component of Integrated Pest Management of Insects in Nebraska; supporting off-campus educators in their diagnostic needs, including developing rapid, innovative techniques and technologies; and providing regional and national leadership in invasive species detection and eradication. This person will teach and coordinate training programs regionally in a) insect diagnostics; b) invasive species detection and eradication; and c) 4-H insect collection. In addition, this educator will provide leadership in improving and developing technologies for rapid insect identification.

Review of applications will begin December 3, 2018. Position will remain open until a suitable candidate is found or search is closed. Candidates must apply online at http://employment.unl.edu, requisition F_180201. Click “Apply for this Job” or sign on and complete or review existing Information Form. You will be required to attach the following documents: Cover Letter, Resume, List of three professional references, Transcripts (official or unofficial) or grade report listing courses taken, the institution where they were taken and final grade. Transcripts must be attached to the online application, attached to an email and sent to jmackin1@unl.edu, or faxed to 402-624-8010. Please make sure to black out your social security number before you send or upload your transcripts/grade report.

Contact Gary Brewer at 402-472-8040 or gbrewer2@unl.edu or Rick Rasby at 402-472-6477 or rrasby1@unl.edu with questions about this position.

Required Qualifications:

- Master’s Degree required; one degree in Entomology or closely related field. Master’s degree must be completed by start date.
- Successful experience teaching in a formal or informal setting.
- Demonstrated ability to communicate (i.e. publications, web media, presentations).
- Training in insect and arthropod systematics or identification.

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