

Graduate Student Opportunities in Insect Ecology and Management. We are seeking graduate students interested in the study of invasion ecology as applied to sugarcane aphid on sorghum and applied ecology of sucking insects of cotton and select pests of corn. As part of their studies, student will have the opportunity to conduct small arena and field research to address topics relevant to insects affecting the cotton, sorghum, and corn-based agroecosystem of south Texas. In addition, the students will have access to insect, plant, and natural enemy spatial and plant impact data acquired since 2016. The students may also incorporate outreach education into their thesis or dissertation project. Students interested in applied insect ecology and pest management, and in work in a major agricultural production setting, are encouraged to contact us.

The students will have the opportunity to work with a team of students, staff associates, and research and extension faculty at the Texas A&M AgriLife Research & Extension Center in Corpus Christi, TX. Depending on the students' interests, the students may apply to pursue their M.S. or Ph.D. degree in Entomology at Texas A&M University, College Station, or M.S. degree in Agricultural Sciences at Texas A&M University, Kingsville.



Members of the Brewer Lab in 2019.



Sugarcane aphid on sorghum.

Background. Bachelor of Science or equivalent degree in ecology, entomology, plant science, or related field of study.

Deadlines. Students interested in applying to the Department of Entomology at Texas A&M University, College Station should pay attention to the deadlines: applications due by November 1 for the spring semester, March 1 for the summer semester, and June 1 for the fall semester.

Queries. If you are interested, then please send queries to Dr. Dalton Ludwick (dalton.ludwick@ag.tamu.edu) and Dr. Michael Brewer (mjbrewer@ag.tamu.edu), who are serving as key contacts. Both Dr. Ludwick's and Dr. Brewer's faculty profiles can be found here: <https://entomology.tamu.edu/types/off-campus-faculty/>.

Special attention will be given to those interested in applying to graduate school for spring or summer terms of 2021. We welcome you to include a description of your interests and background.