Position: Assistant Professor of Entomology, Arthropod Systematics/Biodiversity, twelve-month, tenure-track appointment, research (65%), teaching (20%) and service (15%).

Description: The Department of Entomology at the University of Kentucky is seeking a broadly trained arthropod biologist with interest in systematics, biodiversity and/or conservation. The candidate is expected to develop an internationally recognized, externally funded research program that integrates evolutionary, ecological, molecular and/or bioinformatic approaches to study arthropods of agricultural, medical and/or conservation importance and that complements existing research programs at the University of Kentucky. This position has a 20% teaching responsibility, including teaching a graduate-level course in Insect Taxonomy and developing an undergraduate or graduate course in the field of candidate’s specialty. Qualified candidates will participate in the graduate training of students, whose interests vary from population management and organismal insect biology to molecular biology and genomics. The 15% service responsibility includes overseeing management of the >250,000 specimen University of Kentucky Insect Museum, housed in a newly renovated facility with a collection compactor system and independent environmental control, and developing it into a vibrant, active resource for research, teaching, and outreach activities.

Qualifications: The successful applicant must have a Ph.D. in Entomology or related discipline with demonstrated experience and publications in arthropod systematics/biodiversity. Post-doctoral research, potential as both an independent researcher and as a member of a multidisciplinary team, and teaching experience are highly desirable. Applicants should have demonstrated expertise in integrated systematic research, including molecular, genomic, morphological, and statistical methods.

Salary and Benefits: Salary commensurate with background and experience; overview of benefits:  [http://www.uky.edu/hr/benefits](http://www.uky.edu/hr/benefits)
Application Procedure: Applicants should submit an application letter, a statement of research interests (upload under Specific Request 1), and a statement of teaching interests and philosophy specifically related to this position at the University of Kentucky (upload under Specific Request 2). Applicants should also submit a CV that includes a list of publications. Please also include the names and contact information for at least four references when prompted in the application. This information may be used to solicit letters from your references within the employment system.

Questions should be directed to John J. Obrycki, Chair of the Search Committee, john.obrycki@uky.edu, PH 859-323-6062.

Applications must be submitted electronically to the Integrated Employment System at the University of Kentucky [http://ukjobs.uky.edu/postings/165279](http://ukjobs.uky.edu/postings/165279)

Application Deadline:

December 31, 2017 or until a suitable candidate is identified

Date Position is Available:

July 1, 2018 or as mutually agreed upon

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