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POSITION ANNOUNCEMENT

Assistant Professor: Quantitative Insect Ecologist University of Georgia

Position: The Department of Entomology at the University of Georgia (UGA) invites applications for a tenure-track position (9 months) in quantitative insect ecology at the Assistant Professor rank. We seek candidates with expertise in modeling at landscape, community, population and/or genomic scales, or other related fields of study that include a strong quantitative modeling component associated with insects and their relatives. Approaches might include mathematical, statistical, computational, machine learning, or GIS-based modeling.

Location: Department of Entomology, UGA-Athens Campus.

Position Responsibilities: The position includes research (70%), teaching (25%), and service (5%). The appointee will be expected to build a nationally prominent, extramurally funded, research program that complements existing strengths in the Entomology Department, as well as contribute to undergraduate and graduate teaching and service. We seek a teacher-scholar with a strong commitment to engaging students in both the classroom and through research mentorship at the undergraduate, M.S., and Ph.D. levels. The successful candidate will potentially teach quantitative approaches and methods of statistical inference at the undergraduate and graduate levels in their area of expertise and other courses depending on candidate expertise and departmental need. In addition to strengthening and complementing existing programs in the department, the emerging research program is expected to be collaborative and multidisciplinary with a focus on solving important or emerging problems. Particularly appealing are candidates who integrate diverse approaches that might include mathematical, statistical, computational, or GIS-based modeling, or other means of quantitative analysis of spatial and temporal data. This individual is also expected to be active in departmental and university service, and professional activities and outreach.

Qualifications: Applicants must have a Ph.D. in Entomology or a related discipline in the life sciences. Applicants should also have a record of scholarly activities in their field as demonstrated by peer- reviewed publications and/or extramural funding for their research. Postdoctoral experience (one or more years) and experience in teaching in a classroom setting (one or more semesters) are preferred.

The Department: The Department of Entomology includes 39 faculty, 60 graduate students, 27 undergraduate entomology majors, and 101 undergraduate applied biotechnology majors, with diverse interests from very applied to fundamental studies. We are a multi-campus environment with an excellent reputation in research, extension, and teaching. The three campuses of the University of Georgia (Athens, Tifton, and Griffin) are multidisciplinary, multiagency facilities with access to well-equipped research farms throughout the state. Opportunities for collaboration within the UGA Commodity Teams and with colleagues in other departments and institutions are plentiful and encouraged. The UGA Department of Entomology is internationally recognized and committed to research, teaching, and extension at local, regional, national and international levels. Our programs encompass basic and applied research on insects and other arthropods in diverse study systems.

Application: Applicants should submit the following: a letter of application, detailed curriculum vitae (25-page limit), a one-page statement of research philosophy, and a one page statement of teaching philosophy. Applicants should also arrange for three letters of reference that address qualifications for the position. All application materials and letters of reference should be submitted electronically via UGAJobs at https://www.ugajobsearch.com/postings/404164. Complete applications received by **January 31, 2025**, will be assured of full consideration. Inquiries can be directed to William Snyder, Search Committee Chair, by email (wesnyder@uga.edu).

The University of Georgia is an Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action employer. All qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, religion, sex, national origin, sexual orientation, gender identity, disability, or protected veteran status.