Junior Specialist Position in Molecular Biology

The Department of Entomology at the University of California invites applicants for a Junior Specialist position [full-time] in molecular biology techniques to conduct applied research for the Hansen Lab in Riverside, CA. This position will ideally start on June 17th, 2023. The purpose of this position is to conduct DNA/RNA extractions, cloning, PCR / RT-PCR, help make genomic libraries, and conduct RNAi/CRISPR experiments with insects and plants for the Hansen laboratory. The final candidate will possess specialized skills in basic molecular biology techniques. The position also requires the ability to work independently and interpret and implement new techniques and their analyses in collaboration with the PI and/or other Hansen lab members. The current base pay range starts at $49,000 -$52,200 depending on experience.

Required qualifications for this position that must be met by the **date of application** include: baccalaureate degree in molecular biology/ biology/ entomology (or equivalent degree) and training and experience in the wet lab for molecular biology techniques. Preferred qualifications for this position include: Experience with rearing insects/plants, CRISPR, and RNAi

**To apply:** submit a c.v./resume with contact information for 2-3 professional references to allison.hansen@ucr.edu. Position is available immediately; we plan to hire by June/July 2023.

For full consideration, applicants should submit their complete applications prior to the above May 17th, 2023.

Advancement through the Specialist position ranks at the University of California is through a series of structured, merit-based evaluations, occurring every 2-3 years.

UCR is a world-class research university with an exceptionally diverse undergraduate student body. Its mission is explicitly linked to providing routes to educational success for underrepresented and first-generation college students. A commitment to this mission is a preferred qualification.

The University of California is an Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action Employer. All qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, national origin, age, disability, protected veteran status, or any other characteristic protected by law.

**University of California COVID-19 Vaccination Program Policy**: As a condition of employment, you will be required to comply with the University of California [SARS-CoV-2 (COVID-19) Vaccination Program Policy](https://policy.ucop.edu/doc/5000695/SARS-CoV-2_Covid-19). All Covered Individuals under the policy must provide proof of Full Vaccination or, if applicable, submit a request for Exception (based on Medical Exemption, Disability, and/or Religious Objection) or Deferral (based on pregnancy) no later than the applicable deadline. Please refer to Appendix F, Section II.C. of the policy for the deadlines applicable to new University of California employees. (Capitalized terms in this paragraph are defined in the policy.) Federal, state, or local public health directives may impose additional requirements.