



## College of Agricultural & Environmental Sciences UNIVERSITY OF GEORGIA

### POSITION ANNOUNCEMENT

#### Assistant Professor: Agroecology – Tree Nut and Fruit Entomology University of Georgia

**Position:** Tenure-track Assistant Professor with responsibilities in tree nut and fruit production systems. The position is budgeted at 80% research / 20% extension.

**Location:** Department of Entomology, UGA-Tifton Campus. The UGA-Tifton campus is home to 90 scientists and more than 400 support staff. On-campus resources include office, laboratory, greenhouse and rearing space, a 15-acre irrigated research orchard and all required agricultural machinery.

**Position Responsibilities:** The appointee will develop a strong, extramurally funded research and extension program to support tree nut production with opportunities to pursue work in complementary model systems. With an annual farmgate value exceeding \$350 million, Georgia growers currently lead the nation in pecan production. The position has enjoyed a history of strong funding support from the Georgia Pecan Commission and allied industries. Research efforts should integrate levels of biological organization such as population/community ecology, biological control, and insect ecology to improve pest management. Demonstrated expertise in one or more areas including chemical ecology, toxicology, landscape ecology, resistance management or integration of agricultural systems is highly desirable. Extension activities should improve sustainable and profitable production systems. Mentorship and training of graduate students is a key responsibility of the position.

**Qualifications:** Applicants must have earned a Ph.D. in Entomology, or related field, with a strong background of relevant course work, a strong record of scholarly achievement and excellent communication skills. For information about the requirements for appointment at the rank of Assistant Professor, please see the University of Georgia's Guidelines for Appointment, Promotion, and Tenure ([https://provost.uga.edu/faculty-affairs/UGA\\_Guidelines\\_for\\_APT\\_approved\\_2\\_2020.pdf](https://provost.uga.edu/faculty-affairs/UGA_Guidelines_for_APT_approved_2_2020.pdf)) and the College of Agricultural and Environment Sciences - Entomology criteria [https://provost.uga.edu/resources/documents/Entomology\\_2015.pdf](https://provost.uga.edu/resources/documents/Entomology_2015.pdf).

**The Department:** The Department of Entomology at UGA consists of 35 faculty members situated in a stimulating, 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, multi-agency facilities with access to well-equipped research farms throughout the state. Opportunities for collaboration within the UGA Pecan Team and with colleagues in other departments and institutions are plentiful and encouraged.

**Application:** Applicants should submit the following: a letter of application, detailed curriculum vitae (25-page limit), a one-page statement of research philosophy, a one-page statement of extension philosophy and a one-page diversity, equity and inclusion statement that indicates how you have supported/facilitated DEI, and a list of three references with contact information including email addresses. All application materials should be submitted electronically via <https://www.ugajobsearch.com/postings/224445>. Complete applications received by November 19, 2021 will be assured of full consideration. For additional information contact Dr. Phillip Roberts at [proberts@uga.edu](mailto:proberts@uga.edu).

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