



MISSISSIPPI STATE UNIVERSITY™
DEPARTMENT OF BIOCHEMISTRY, MOLECULAR
BIOLOGY, ENTOMOLOGY & PLANT PATHOLOGY

POSITION: Assistant Professor of Row Crop Entomology Extension, Mississippi State University

DEPARTMENT: Biochemistry, Molecular Biology, Entomology, and Plant Pathology (BCHEPP)

APPOINTMENT: 12-month, Tenure-Track, 100% Extension

The Department of Biochemistry, Molecular Biology, Entomology, and Plant Pathology (BCHEPP) at Mississippi State University seeks to fill a tenure-track, Assistant Professor position in extension entomology focused on management of insect and arthropod pests of regionally important agronomic row crops, including cotton, corn and soybeans. The successful candidate will establish a multidisciplinary program dedicated to providing science-based information on integrated and sustainable pest management to a diverse state-wide clientele, including growers, crop consultants, state and federal regulators, pesticide manufacturers and formulators, agricultural retailers, as well as the general public. The successful candidate will also develop a recognized, externally-funded applied research program to inform their extension activities and synergize with existing departmental programs (<https://www.biochemistry.msstate.edu/mission.php>). This position will be based on the main campus in Starkville, MS, but collaboration with other researchers and Extension Service colleagues both on and off campus is expected. The incumbent will mentor graduate and undergraduate students and will be expected to contribute to the academic mission of the department through teaching. The successful candidate is expected to be an interactive member of the faculty, as well as a contributor to relevant scientific/professional societies.

QUALIFICATIONS: A Ph.D. in entomology or a related field is required with demonstrated excellence in written and oral communication, and strong interpersonal skills. Exceptional ABD candidates will be considered for this position. Preference will be given to applicants with extension or science communication experience, and candidates with evidence of multidisciplinary collaborations, experience translating research results for the public, a record of leadership and service, and the ability to secure extramural funding.

APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS: Applications must be submitted through the MSU employment portal at <https://explore.msujobs.msstate.edu/en-us/job/504751/assistant-professor>. Completed applications will include: the Personal Data Information Form (available online) as well as a current curriculum vitae, a statement of extension education interests and research philosophy, copies of up to five relevant publications and contact information for at least five references. Review of applications will begin on **November 1, 2022** and will continue until the position is filled. Questions or requests for further information may be routed to the search committee chair, Dr. Fred Musser (fm61@msstate.edu).

Mississippi State University (www.msstate.edu) is a public, land-grant university whose mission is to provide access and opportunity to students from all sectors of the state's diverse population, as well as other states and countries, through excellence in teaching, research, and service. Candidates must be supportive of this mission and commit to Mississippi State University's core values of diversity, citizenship, leadership, and service. The Carnegie Foundation designates Mississippi State University as a

Doctoral/Extensive institution for the Advancement of Teaching, and The Chronicle of Higher Education has designated the university as a “Great College to Work For” (www.chronicle.com/interactives/greatcolleges18).

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Women, minorities, individuals with disabilities and veterans are encouraged to apply.*