



Research Faculty—Extension Specialist

Assistant Professor

Entomology, Plant Pathology, and Nematology

Parma, Idaho



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APPLICATION PROCESS:

Confidential review of applicants will begin December 30, 2022.

To apply and submit your resume and letter of qualification visit:

<https://uidaho.peopleadmin.com/postings/38426>

Be prepared to submit a letter of qualification that addresses the required and preferred qualifications; a CV; the names and contact information for at least three (3) professional references; and transcripts (unofficial accepted)

FOR QUESTIONS ABOUT THE POSITION CONTACT:

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SALARY: Salary is commensurate with the candidate's professional qualifications and experience. University of Idaho benefits and enrollment in TIAA-CREF or VALIC are included. For more information on benefits at UI, go to: <http://www.uidaho.edu/human-resources/benefits>.

THE OPPORTUNITY: The University of Idaho Department of Entomology, Plant Pathology, and Nematology seeks an entomologist to join the multi-disciplinary Research and Extension team at our PARMA R&E Center. This is a 12-month tenure track position is allocated 50% Research and 50% Extension at the Assistant Professor level. The successful candidate will have primary research and Extension responsibility for integrated management of arthropod pests of specialty and seed crops. Area cropping systems are diverse and dynamic (includes hops, alfalfa, beets, beans, corn, mint and various seed crops). The research goal is to further our understanding of insect biology and ecology and to contribute to the development and implementation of integrated approaches to arthropod pest management in these and other specialty crops. The candidate will also be responsible for insect identification, oversight of the alfalfa leafcutter bee cocoon testing lab, developing management plans for insect pests of tree fruit crops or other crops as situations arise. The Extension goal is to provide leadership for the development, implementation, evaluation and reporting of Extension education programs relevant to integrated management of arthropod pests of specialty and seed crops.

QUALIFICATIONS:

- Earned Ph.D. in Entomology or closely related field by December 30, 2022, with emphasis in integrated pest management (IPM).
- Experience and training in fundamental and applied entomological research.
- Experience working cooperatively and effectively with colleagues and clientele in research and Extension programs.
- Experience publishing high impact applied research in scientific journals and Extension/outreach publications.
- Experience providing clientele with current research-based information about pest management in oral and written venues.

Additional Preferred Qualifications:

- Demonstrated experience with specialty crop or field crop entomology research and Extension, preferably insect/arthropod pest biology and ecology in agricultural crops.
- Ability to develop and deliver Extension programs to and with the County Extension Educators and other clientele that increase adoption of IPM methods.
- Demonstrated ability to secure extramural funding.
- Strong publication record in research and Extension.
- Interest or experience in training graduate and undergraduate students.
- Ability to communicate in Spanish, both verbally and in writing.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENTOMOLGY, PLANT PATHOLOGY AND NEMATOLOGY

The Department of Entomology, Plant Pathology and Nematology (EPPN) works to discover safe and healthy ways to protect our food and resources from pests and disease while also protecting our natural ecosystems. The department offers undergraduate, graduate and a doctorate in entomology and minors in entomology and plant protection. EPPN delivers statewide programs of teaching, research and extension about insects and their relatives, plant pathogens and diseases and nematodes. Our faculty and support personnel are located on the main Moscow campus and at research and extension centers in Aberdeen, Idaho Falls, Kimberly, Parma and Twin Falls.

The Department of Entomology, Plant Pathology and Nematology is active in basic, applied and interdisciplinary research and delivers UI Extension programming including Aphid Tracker, Idaho Insect Identification, Integrated Pest Management, Pale Cyst Nematode, Plant Diagnostics Services, Psyllid Management, William F. Barr Entomological Museum.

For more information: [Entomology, Plant Pathology & Nematology | UIdaho](#)

PARMA R&E CENTER:

The Parma Research and Extension Center is located one mile north of Parma and is operated by the University of Idaho College of Agricultural and Life Sciences through the Idaho Agricultural Experiment Station. The 200-acre center focuses on research and Extension programs in production, storage and related problems of vegetable, forages, cereals, hop, mint, fruit and seed crops.

[Parma Research & Extension Center | UIdaho](#)

COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURAL AND LIFE SCIENCES:

The College of Agricultural and Life Sciences advances the health and welfare of people, animal and the environment through research and education in agriculture, community, human and rural development, natural resources, nutrition, and life sciences. The college leads research and Extension efforts related to various issues and our faculty and students are finding solutions to the world's most critical challenges in order to create and sustain an abundant food and energy supply, a healthy environment and successful families and communities.

Agriculture is one of the main industries in the state of Idaho, with over \$25 billion in total sales, accounting for 20 percent of the state's total sales. Agribusiness is responsible for 14 percent of Idaho's GSP and approximately one in every seven jobs in the state is related to agriculture. The University of Idaho plays a key role in Idaho's agriculture industry, through research, teaching and Extension activities.

For more information: [College of Agricultural & Life Sciences | University of Idaho \(uidaho.edu\)](#)

UNIVERSITY OF IDAHO:

The University of Idaho is a premier destination for higher education and Idaho's only national research institution. From our beautiful residential campus in Moscow, as well as our learning centers that touch every community in Idaho, the University of Idaho is leading our state and region with an energized environment where passion for knowledge and discovery expands intellectual and cultural boundaries.

At the University of Idaho, we attract many of the nation's best students every year, because our expectations are higher and our commitment is stronger. We equip our people with the substantial resources they expect from an internationally recognized land grant institution. Our graduates join a legacy of thinkers, leaders and global citizens that is focused on improving lives within the state and beyond.

The University of Idaho is home to 12,000 undergraduate, graduate and professional students from all 50 states. International students from more than 76 countries comprise 5 percent of the student body. The university enrolls 42 National Merit Scholars, by far the largest number in Idaho and among the highest concentration of Merit Scholars in the western United States. Nearly 50 percent of the incoming freshmen were in the top quartile of their graduating class.

The University of Idaho is an equal opportunity and affirmative action employer. It is the policy of the regents that equal opportunity be afforded in education and employment to qualified persons regardless of race, color, national origin, religion, sex, age, disability or status as a disabled veteran or Vietnam-era veteran. It is also the policy of the University of Idaho to not discriminate based on sexual orientation.

The College of Agricultural and Life Sciences is strongly committed to achieving excellence through cultural diversity. We actively encourage applications and nominations of underrepresented groups.