

Assistant Professor of Entomology & Plant Pathology, Insect Biodiversity

The Department of Entomology & Plant Pathology at North Carolina State University invites applications for a 9-month tenure-track position at the Assistant Professor level. This faculty position is located on the main campus in Raleigh, North Carolina, and has a 70% research and 30% teaching appointment. The selected individual is expected to develop an innovative research and teaching program related to arthropod biodiversity broadly defined. The incumbent's research should incorporate modern approaches in taxonomic and phylogenetic systematics. Graduate mentorship, scholarly achievement, and extramural funding in integrative insect biodiversity science is expected.

The incumbent will serve as Director of the NC State University Insect Museum. This research collection, founded in 1952, contains over 2 million specimens and is a premier research collection in the Southeastern US. The incumbent is expected to contribute to collection development, preservation, and advancement using modern collection management approaches and extramural funding. In addition, the incumbent will foster and support use of the collection by outside scientists and educational and outreach opportunities. The incumbent is expected to oversee a staff member who will contribute to these goals.

Significant opportunities exist for collaborations with faculty and members in multiple departments on campus and among scientists and staff of the North Carolina Museum of Natural Sciences in Raleigh, NC. Potential collaborations also exist with Research Triangle Park-based environmental, regulatory, and evolutionary biology centers, agencies, and consortia.

The incumbent is expected to generate extramural funding to support their program following start-up resources and will participate in the graduate and undergraduate academic programs of the department. The successful candidate will be expected to teach a core graduate-level course in Insect Biodiversity and Evolution in the Entomology Graduate Program.

Minimum qualifications include a PhD in Entomology or field of study directly related to the position description – interest and experience in arthropod systematics are preferred. Preference will be given to candidates who have hypothesis driven collections-based or systematic research interests. Demonstrated experience in undergraduate or graduate teaching, skills in verbal and written communication, interpersonal relations, and procurement of extramural funding are highly desirable.

The position includes a competitive compensation and start-up package. Review of applications will proceed February 1, 2022 and continue until the position is filled. For further information contact the search committee chair, Steve Frank (sdfrank@ncsu.edu) or Department Head of Entomology & Plant Pathology, Dr. Carolyn Young (cyoung6@ncsu.edu). For a complete job description and details for submission of applications, please reference <https://jobs.ncsu.edu/postings/175967>. NC State University is an equal opportunity/affirmative action employer and welcomes all persons without regard to sexual orientation. Individuals with disabilities desiring accommodations in the application process should contact Marci Walker, marci_walker@ncsu.edu, 919-515-2730 (office phone). NC State University is especially interested in qualified candidates who can contribute, through their experience, research, teaching and/or service, to the diversity and excellence of the academic community. The University is responsive to the needs of dual career couples.

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