

POSITION ANNOUNCEMENT**Assistant Professor: Entomologist (Vegetable IPM)
University of Georgia**

Position: The Department of Entomology (<https://ent.uga.edu>) at the University of Georgia (UGA) invites applications for a tenure-track position (9 months) in Integrated Pest Management (IPM) with emphasis on vegetables at the Assistant Professor rank. We seek candidates with expertise in the area of IPM and experience and/or interest in sustainable production of vegetable crops.

Location: Department of Entomology, UGA-Tifton Campus, Tifton, Georgia.

Position Responsibilities: The position includes research (80%), teaching (15%) and service (5%). The successful candidate will be expected to develop a nationally and internationally recognized research and teaching program supported by competitive external funding, to publish high-impact research, and to effectively mentor graduate/undergraduate students. The candidate will have expertise in agroecology and IPM theory and practice, which may include areas such as resistance management, applied toxicology, transgenic and molecular approaches, population genetics, landscape ecology, or precision agriculture (including remote sensing). A collaborative and multidisciplinary approach to solving important problems within the vegetable industry that strengthens and complements the current programs in the department and college is expected. Multistate and international collaborations are also encouraged. Instructional responsibilities will include an annual undergraduate/graduate-level course in general entomology rotated with an additional course on crop-specific pest management on an as needed basis. The successful candidate is also expected to be active in departmental and university service and professional activities and outreach.

Qualifications: Applicants must have a Ph.D. in Entomology or a related discipline and a record of scholarly activities in their field demonstrated by peer-reviewed publications and funding for their research consistent appointment as an Assistant Professor. The successful applicant will have a background that includes training and expertise in integrative approaches. Candidates should demonstrate excellent verbal and written communication skills. A minimum of 1 year of postdoctoral experience and at least 1 year of experience teaching in a classroom setting are preferred.

The Department: The Department of Entomology includes 35 faculty, 70 graduate students, 25 undergraduate entomology majors and 110 undergraduate applied biotechnology majors, with a wide range of interests from very applied to fundamental studies. We are a 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 Commodity Teams and with colleagues in other departments and institutions are plentiful and encouraged. The UGA Department of Entomology is an internationally recognized department committed to interdisciplinary research, teaching and extension at local, regional, national and international levels. Our programs encompass basic and applied research on insects in diverse systems, including agricultural/urban, medical/veterinary, aquatic and other ecosystems.

The UGA-Tifton Campus: The Tifton Campus is home to ~75 UGA faculty and USDA-ARS scientists plus graduate students, postdocs, and support staff conducting innovative and team-based research and extension to improve production agriculture in Georgia, the nation, and the world. Tifton is a friendly city of nearly 20,000 population located along I-75 in south-central Georgia ~70 miles from the Georgia-Florida state border. The city is situated in the heart of one of the leading and most dynamic agricultural areas of the Southeast.

Application: Applicants should submit the following: a letter of application, detailed curriculum vitae (25-page limit), a one-page statement of research philosophy, and a one page statement of teaching philosophy. Applicants should also arrange for three letters of reference that address qualifications for the position. All application materials and reference contact information should be submitted electronically via UGAJobs (<https://www.ugajobsearch.com/postings/330053>).
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Complete applications received by October 1, 2023 will be assured of full consideration. Inquiries can be directed to Stormy Sparks, Search Committee Chair, by email at asparks@uga.edu.

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