



POSITION VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT ASSISTANT PROFESSOR (Pollinator Ecology)

WORK LOCATION: Department of Entomology, Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

POSITION DESCRIPTION: The Department of Entomology at Louisiana State University invites applications for a position in Pollinator Ecology at the Assistant Professor rank. The appointment will be a twelve-month, tenure-track appointment with research (45%), teaching (25%), and extension/outreach (30%) responsibilities. The successful candidate will be expected to develop a nationally and internationally recognized, extramurally funded research program on the ecology and evolution of managed and native pollinators. We are particularly interested in candidates that explore factors impacting the distribution and abundance of pollinators, their interactions with the abiotic and biotic environment, and their role in food and fiber crop systems in the Southeastern United States. Candidates that study these questions through the lenses of climate change, conservation, plant-pollinator interactions, land use and habitat loss, and other stressors are encouraged to apply. Collaboration with existing departmental faculty is expected.

Extension responsibilities for the position include the development and delivery of educational programs related to apiculture and pollinator ecology and conservation. Key stakeholders include the Louisiana Beekeepers Association, homeowners and vegetable growers, Master Gardeners and Naturalists, and commercial and hobbyist beekeepers. The incumbent will serve as a liaison to the USDA Honeybee Breeding, Genetics, and Physiology Research Laboratory in Baton Rouge.

The incumbent will participate in mentoring graduate students as a member of the Graduate Faculty of Louisiana State University, and will be required to teach a introductory-level course in general entomology and one or more courses in their area of specialty.

QUALIFICATION REQUIREMENTS: The applicant must have a Ph.D. degree in entomology or closely related biological discipline at the time of employment and a record of scholarly achievement in areas related to the position. Postdoctoral experience is preferred. Outstanding oral and written communication skills and the ability to obtain extramural support are necessary.

SALARY AND BENEFITS: Salary will be commensurate with qualifications and experience. LSU has an attractive benefits package with a wide variety of benefit options. Benefits offered include retirement, multiple medical insurance options, supplemental insurances (dental, life, long-term disability, accident, vision, long-term care, etc.), Tax Saver Flexible Benefits Plan (saves tax dollars on some child care and medical expenses), university holidays (14 per year, typically includes a week off at Christmas), generous annual (vacation) and sick leave benefits, Employee Assistance Program, and possible educational leave and tuition exemption for coursework at campuses of the LSU System. Specific benefits depend on job category, percent effort and length of employment.

DATE AVAILABLE: Upon completion of selection process

APPLICATION DEADLINE: August 15, 2024

APPLICATION PROCEDURE: Qualified candidates must apply online at <https://lsu.wd1.myworkdayjobs.com/LSU> (or through Workday for internal applicants) by submitting a curriculum vita, unofficial copies of undergraduate and graduate transcripts, 3-5 selected reprints, and names and addresses of three persons who can be contacted for letters of reference. Applicants should include three statements as part of their application: 1) a statement describing your research background and proposed research program (3 pages max), and 2) a statement describing your teaching philosophy, interests, and experience (2 pages maximum), and 3) a statement describing your extension philosophy and experience (2 pages maximum). Direct questions to:

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