



# RIVERSIDE

DEPARTMENT OF ENTOMOLOGY  
Entomology Special Seminar



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**Date:** Thursday, January 26, 2023

**Time:** 2:00 pm - 3:00 pm

**Format:** In-Person Seminar & Virtual Access

**Location:** Genomics Auditorium 1102A

**Zoom:** 938 1040 4405

**Passcode:** 833289

### **Title:**

“Launching ISABEL at UCR: Past, present, and future in biocontrol”

### **Abstract:**

Scrutinizing potential biocontrol agents is important for managing invasive pests and weeds in California. Insect Sensory and Behavioral Ecology Laboratory (ISABEL) focuses on agent selection and how biocontrol agents use sensory cues to interact with invasive pests and weeds based at the community level. In this research seminar, I will cover case studies of houndstongue, musk thistle, yellow starthistle, and box tree moth, which are directly related to managing the invasive species of importance to various ecosystems in California. I will also propose how the abovementioned case studies expand ISABEL and complement the existing expertise in Entomology at UCR.

*Refreshments will be served in the Entomology Building Courtyard at 1:30pm*