



Entomology & Nematology Department
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**POSITION ANNOUNCEMENT #00000771
REQUISITION # 73800**

Title: Lecturer

Location: Entomology & Nematology Department
University of Florida
Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences (IFAS)
Gainesville, Florida 32611

Salary: Commensurate with Qualifications and Experience

Review Date: For full consideration, candidates should apply and submit additional materials by June 15, 2021. The position will remain open until a viable applicant pool is determined.

Duties and Responsibilities

The [Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences](#) is committed to creating an environment that affirms diversity across a variety of dimensions, including ability, class, ethnicity/race, gender identity and expression. We particularly welcome applicants who can contribute to such an environment through their scholarship, teaching, mentoring, and professional service. We strongly encourage historically underrepresented groups to apply.

If an accommodation due to a disability is needed to apply for this position, please call 352-392-2477 or the Florida Relay System at 800-955-8771 (TDD) or visit [Accessibility at UF](#).

This is a 12-month, permanent, lecture-track faculty position (non-tenure accruing) that will be 100% teaching in the Entomology and Nematology Department in the College of Agricultural and Life Sciences (CALS) within the Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences (IFAS) at the University of Florida (UF) in Gainesville, Florida. The position will be academically housed in the Entomology and Nematology Department within IFAS and the nature of assignment may change in accordance with the evolving needs of the Department and IFAS.

The primary focus of this position will be to support a growing distance education program in Entomology and/or Nematology. The successful candidate will serve as primary contact for all successful applicants and major academic advisor for students enrolled in our on-line, non-thesis M.S. program and on-line graduate and undergraduate certificate programs. Advising non-thesis

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M.S. student in their capstone experiences is expected. The second, but equally important focus of the position will be teaching courses (two courses per year) that are core-requirements for our program in an on-line format. The successful candidate will enthusiastically develop and adopt innovative approaches to deliver meaningful experiential learning opportunities to on-line students and serve as a resource for other faculty delivering similar courses.

As part of their successful program, the successful candidate is encouraged to participate in scholarly activities related to instruction, including teaching undergraduate and/or graduate courses, participating in curriculum revision and enhancement, seeking funding for the teaching program, supervising undergraduate and graduate research and creative work, conducting and publishing teaching-related scholarship, producing learning tools, and engaging in professional development activities related to teaching and advising. The successful candidate will be expected to be entrepreneurial to facilitate the growth of the online programs, such as coordinating marketing efforts, streamlining student registrations, improving the online student experience, etc.

UF/IFAS is a land-grant institution under which all faculty are expected to be supportive of and engaged in all three mission areas—Research, Teaching, and Extension—regardless of the assignment split specified in the position description.

Qualifications

Required:

A M.S. or Ph.D. degree (foreign equivalent acceptable) in entomology, nematology, biology, or a closely related discipline is required. Candidates should have demonstrated skills in verbal and written communication, and interpersonal relationships. Meaningful teaching experience, ideally including experience with distance education is also required. Demonstrated commitment to working with and supporting a diverse community of students, either on-line, in person, or both. Candidates must be supportive of the mission of the Land-Grant system. Candidates must also have a commitment to IFAS core values of excellence, diversity, global involvement, and accountability.

Preferred:

Preference will be given to individuals with one or more of the following: (1) online teaching experience, (2) student mentorship, leadership or advising potential, (3) experience in curriculum development, and/or (4) program evaluation.

Background Information:

The Entomology & Nematology Department (<http://entnemdept.ufl.edu/>) is housed in the Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences (<http://ifas.ufl.edu>) with locations in Gainesville FL and around the state at Research and Education Centers. Our substantial undergraduate entomology program is dedicated to excellence in science education. Our graduate entomology program is one of the largest in the country with a variety of subject areas. Non-thesis distance M.S. and on-line certificate programs are also an important component of our teaching efforts. Course offerings attract students in diverse majors from across colleges within the university.

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The University of Florida (<http://www.ufl.edu>) is a Land-Grant, Sea-Grant, and Space-Grant institution, encompassing virtually all academic and professional disciplines, with an enrollment of more than 56,000 students. UF is a member of The Association of American Universities. The Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences (<http://ifas.ufl.edu>) includes the College of Agricultural and Life Sciences (<http://cals.ufl.edu>), the Florida Agricultural Experiment Station (<http://research.ifas.ufl.edu>), the Florida Cooperative Extension Service (<http://extension.ifas.ufl.edu>), the College of Veterinary Medicine (<http://www.vetmed.ufl.edu>), the Florida Sea Grant program (<http://www.flseagrant.org/>), and encompasses 16 on-campus academic departments and schools, 12 Research and Educational Centers (REC) located throughout the state, 6 Research sites/demonstration units administered by RECs or academic departments, and Florida Cooperative Extension Service offices in all 67 counties (counties operate and maintain). The School of Natural Resources and Environment is an interdisciplinary unit housed in IFAS and managed by several colleges on campus. UF/IFAS employs nearly 4,500 people, which includes approximately 990 salaried faculty and 1,400 permanent support personnel located in Gainesville and throughout the state. IFAS, one of the nation's largest agricultural and natural resources research and education organizations, is administered by a Vice President and four deans: the Dean of the College of Agricultural and Life Sciences, the Dean for Extension and Director of the Florida Cooperative Extension Service, the Dean for Research and Director of the Florida Agricultural Experiment Station, and the Dean for the College of Veterinary Medicine. UF/IFAS also engages in cooperative work with Florida A&M University in Tallahassee.

Employment Conditions

This position is available July 1, 2021, and will be filled as soon thereafter as an acceptable applicant is available. Compensation is commensurate with the education, experience, and qualifications of the selected applicant.

Nominations

Nominations are welcome. Nominations need to include the complete name and address of the nominee. This information should be sent to:

Please refer to Requisition # 73800
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Application Information

Individuals wishing to apply should go online to <http://apply.interfolio.com/87161> and submit:

- Cover letter that states applicant's interest in the position and qualifications relative to the credentials listed above

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- Curriculum vitae
- A teaching/advising philosophy statement that describes previous in-person and online teaching and mentoring experience as well as specific teaching strengths and interests.
- A diversity statement indicating how previous experiences have prepared you to contribute to an inclusive institutional culture
- Contact information (including email addresses) for three individuals willing to write letters of recommendation
- Unofficial graduate transcripts

Selected candidate will be required to provide an official transcript to the hiring department upon hire. A transcript will not be considered “official” if a designation of “Issued to Student” is visible. Degrees earned from an education institution outside of the United States are required to be evaluated by a professional credentialing service provider approved by [National Association of Credential Evaluation Services \(NACES\)](#).

Hiring is contingent upon eligibility to work in the US. The University of Florida is a public institution and subject to all requirements under Florida Sunshine and Public Record laws.

The [University of Florida](#) is an Equal Opportunity Institution dedicated to building a broadly diverse and inclusive faculty and staff. The University and greater Gainesville community enjoy a diversity of cultural events, restaurants, year-round outdoor recreational activities, and social opportunities.