

FACULTY POSITION ANNOUNCEMENT

John V. Osmun Endowed Chair in Urban Entomology

The Department of Entomology at Purdue University invites applications for the John V. Osmun Endowed Chair in Urban Entomology. This is a nine-month, tenure track appointment at the associate or full professor level with primary research and secondary extension responsibilities.

Responsibilities:

- Develop a nationally and internationally recognized, externally funded research program that addresses societal grand challenges through the prism of urban entomology.
- Demonstrate national and international impact in extension by leading the Center for Urban and Industrial Pest Management, leveraging center resources and existing programs, including correspondence courses and Purdue's Pest Management Conference, and serving the interests of stakeholders in the urban entomology community.
- Work synergistically with faculty from within the department of entomology and across the university to further elevate the University's research, extension, and teaching & learning profile in urban and structural entomology.
- Mentor and provide opportunities to further the professional development of graduate and undergraduate students, postdoctoral scholars and visiting scientists.
- Contribute to the achievement of instructional outcomes by teaching courses, including online offerings, and developing instructional materials at the graduate and undergraduate levels.

Required Qualifications:

Must have a Ph.D. or equivalent degree in Entomology, Biology, Urban Ecology, or a related field. Relevant training or experience in the applied ecology of arthropods associated with human-made structures, urban environments and related infrastructure, human health and well-being, or related interests.

Preferred Skills: Qualified candidates will be able to demonstrate significant research accomplishments in the area of Urban Entomology and clearly articulate a vision for building a robust research and extension program that advances societal understanding of: 1) insect adaptations that enable close and sustained associations with humans, 2) interactions between anthropogenic environments and urban insects, or 3) climate change and its impacts on the population dynamics of urban insects.

Application & Review Process: Review of applications will begin after November 22, 2019, but applications will be accepted until the position is filled. Application materials should include: a cover letter, curriculum vitae, separate statements of research and extension vision and goals, and full contact information for three references. Purdue is an ADVANCE institution (www.purdue.edu/advance-purdue) and is committed to advancing diversity in all areas of faculty effort, including scholarship, engagement and instruction. Candidates should address diversity and inclusion in at least one of these areas in their application, indicating past experiences, current interests or activities, and/or future goals to promote a climate that values and advances diversity and inclusion. All application materials must be combined into one pdf and submitted electronically via <https://career8.successfactors.com/sfcareer/jobreqcareer?jobId=7485&company=purdueuniv&username> Application materials should be addressed to Dr. Douglas Richmond, Search Committee Chair.

Salary will be commensurate with qualifications and experience. A background check is required for this position.

About the Department of Entomology and College of Agriculture

The Department of Entomology is an integral part of Purdue's College of Agriculture, one of the world's leading colleges of agricultural, food, life, and natural resource sciences, and ranked sixth in the US in the 2019 QS World University Rankings. The Department of Entomology is home to a vibrant community of 24 faculty and more than 30 graduate students and postdoctoral researchers. The Department and College are deeply committed to the three land-grant missions (teaching, research, and extension), to international activities, and to perspectives that span all missions. The College has 11 academic departments and includes 313 faculty, 2803 undergraduate students, and 672 graduate students. The College's strategic plan can be accessed at <https://ag.purdue.edu/plan/Pages/default.aspx>

About the Center for Urban and Industrial Pest Management

The Center for Urban and Industrial Pest Management was established in the Entomology Department at Purdue University to address the needs of the urban and structural pest management industry. As such, it provides training, educational resources, and research on urban pest biology, behavior, and management. The Center was designed with a multi-disciplinary approach in mind, drawing on the expertise of 9 associated faculty with active research and extension programs falling under the broader urban and industrial pest management umbrella. The Center serves a coordinating role across industry, government and university boundaries, providing a forum for the exchange of knowledge and ideas. Purdue's successful conferences, workshops, correspondence courses, and other educational programs for urban and industrial clientele groups continue to grow and play an integral part in the fulfillment of the Center's mission. The Center provides the mechanism to communicate cutting edge information and develop training programs to meet clientele needs. The international footprint of the Urban and Industrial Pest Management Program continues to expand through exchanges of information and people.

<https://extension.entm.purdue.edu/urban/index.php>

Purdue University is an EOE/AA employer. All individuals, including minorities, women, individuals with disabilities, and veterans are encouraged to apply.