Extension Entomologist

University of Kentucky, Department of Entomology

http://www2.ca.uky.edu/entomology/entomology.php

Position:  Assistant Extension Professor of Entomology, Pest Management, twelve-month, tenure-track appointment, extension (75%), research (20%), service (5%)

Description:  The Department of Entomology at the University of Kentucky is seeking a broadly trained entomologist who will address integrated management of arthropods in one or more of the following areas: urban landscapes, nursery crops, public health, households or other structures, or livestock production. This position is located in the Entomology Department on the University of Kentucky Campus, Lexington, KY. Areas of extension and research emphasis could include development and implementation of IPM tactics, pest monitoring networks, management of invasive species, pollinator protection, management of arthropod vectors of disease, or other areas. As part of a team of Extension Entomologists, this individual will develop and implement educational/outreach programs to support county-based extension personnel and other stakeholder groups, conduct problem-solving research to provide evidence-based insect management recommendations to stakeholders and cooperate in multi-disciplinary and/or inter-institutional teams. The individual is expected to develop an applied research program that complements and enhances their extension program. Further, the individual is expected to develop and maintain communication with county agents and participate in mentoring of graduate students and the graduate education program in the Department and College, and actively pursue external funding opportunities. Publication in peer-reviewed journals and extension publications is also expected.

Qualifications:  The successful applicant must have a Ph.D. in Entomology or related discipline with demonstrated experience in applied ecology and integrated
pest management; excellent oral and written communication skills; use of common computer technologies and innovative use of social media; and experience with extension and outreach. Post-doctoral training, experience as a member of a multi-disciplinary team, and expertise in one or more of these commodity areas are desirable, but not essential.

**Salary and Benefits:** Salary commensurate with background and experience; overview of benefits: http://www.uky.edu/hr/benefits

**Application Procedure:** Applications must be submitted electronically via the University of Kentucky website here: https://ukjobs.uky.edu/postings/200362

Applicants should submit a CV, statement of extension and research interests and vision for Kentucky (upload under Specific Request 1), list of publications with up to (5) selected reprints (upload under Specific Request 2), and an application letter describing background and expertise specifically related to this extension/research position at the University of Kentucky. Please also include the names and addresses of four individuals who may be contacted for letters of reference when prompted in the application. This information may be used to solicit reference letters from your reference contacts within the employment system.

**Application Deadline:**

Nov 30, 2018 or until a suitable candidate is identified

**Date Position is Available:**

March 1, 2019 or as mutually agreed upon

**Contact:** Dr. Ric Bessin, Chair, Search Committee   E-mail: rbessin@uky.edu

The University of Kentucky is an equal opportunity university. We encourage applications from women, minorities, and all interested and qualified people. The EEO Coordinator is Tim West, S-105 Agricultural Science North, University of Kentucky, Lexington, KY 40546-0091.