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The Department of Biological Sciences at Kent State University seeks a full-time, tenure-track faculty member, open rank, who addresses questions in ecology and evolutionary biology using "-omics" or informatics approaches (i.e., genomics, transcriptomics, proteomics, metabolomics). The faculty member will expand the department’s current research strengths in plant population biology, microbial ecology, community ecology, and biogeochemistry (www.kent.edu/biology/kent-campus-faculty-research-expertise) with opportunities to complement research in biomedical sciences and other focal areas of our department.

The Department of Biological Sciences is the largest in the College of Arts and Sciences, with over 80 MS and PhD students, over 1200 undergraduate majors, and 40 faculty. Departmental resources include natural areas for research, as well as local, regional and international affiliations for research, teaching and outreach. The Kent State system has a total enrollment of nearly 40,000 students, and is ranked as 'high research' by the Carnegie Foundation. Nestled in the Cuyahoga Valley in northeastern Ohio, Kent State is 40 miles from Cleveland, 12 miles from Akron, and 10 miles from Cuyahoga Valley National Park. Our region has abundant and diverse study sites.

The successful applicant will be able to contribute to and benefit from Kent State’s Environmental Science and Design Research Initiative (ESDRI), which includes recent hires in Geology, Geography, and Biological Sciences. ESDRI represents a university-wide investment in research and innovation within the geological, biological, human, and social systems that promote well being, sustain diversity of life on Earth, and impact environmental quality. ESDRI participants include faculty from nine colleges, providing excellent opportunities for interdisciplinary collaboration.

Successful candidates will hold a Ph.D. in ecology/evolutionary biology or related field with postdoctoral experience. Faculty are expected to establish an independent externally funded research program, demonstrate teaching excellence, and participate in graduate training. Candidates at the Associate Professor or Professor rank are expected to have current extramural funding and a strong funding history. Salary and startup funds are competitive and commensurate with academic qualifications and experience.

Applicants should submit a cover letter, CV, a statement of research interests, and a statement of teaching interests and philosophy. Names and contact information for at least three professional references should also be provided. Review of applications is ongoing, and will continue until the position is filled. The appointment is expected to begin in Fall 2019. Applications or inquiries relating to this position may be emailed to omics@kent.edu

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