POSITION ANNOUNCEMENT # 0001-3040
REQUISITION # 0901229

Title: Assistant Professor

Location: Florida Medical Entomology Laboratory
Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences (IFAS)
Vero Beach, Florida

Salary: Commensurate with Qualifications and Experience

Review Date: Review of applicant materials will begin on Nov. 30, 2012. Position will open until a viable applicant pool is determined.

Duties and Responsibilities
This is a 12-month tenure-accruing position that will be 10% teaching (College of Agricultural and Life Sciences) and 90% research (Florida Agricultural Experiment Station), available in the Florida Medical Entomology Laboratory, Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences, at the University of Florida. This assignment may change in accordance with the needs of the unit. Duties will include research and teaching focusing on the biology and ecology of blood-feeding arthropods and the pathogens they transmit. The faculty member will collaborate with other faculty with attention to Florida mosquito control issues. Tenure will accrue in the Department of Entomology and Nematology. The faculty member will participate actively in undergraduate education and graduate education by chairing graduate committees, serving on graduate committees, supervising thesis and dissertation research, supervising undergraduate research, and publishing the results with his/her graduate students. The faculty member will seek contract and grant funding actively to support his/her program. The faculty member will engage in Extension activities in his or her program area. All IFAS faculty are expected to demonstrate commitment and responsibility to the three functions of the Land Grant mission.

The successful candidate will engage in scholarly activities related to instruction, including teaching undergraduate and/or graduate courses, advising and mentoring undergraduate and graduate students, participating in curriculum revision and enhancement, seeking funding for the teaching program, supervising undergraduate and graduate research and creative work, publishing teaching-related scholarship, producing learning tools, and engaging in professional development activities related to teaching and advising. Faculty are encouraged to support and participate in the CALS Honors Program, distance education, and international education.

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**Qualifications**

An earned doctorate (foreign equivalent acceptable) in a relevant biological science is required. Postdoctoral experience is desirable. Candidates must have demonstrated experience in medical entomology including experience using tools in other disciplines (e.g., molecular biology, ecology, epidemiology) to analyze and interpret the ecology, epidemiology, vector-pathogen-host interface of the mosquito-borne disease cycle. Candidates should have demonstrated skills in verbal and written communication, interpersonal relationships, and procurement of extramural funding. 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.

**Background Information:**

The Florida Medical Entomology Laboratory (http://fmel.ifas.ufl.edu) is located on a 38 acre campus, much of which is comprised of native Florida coastal hammock habitat, 5 miles south of Vero Beach, Florida. Faculty and staff at the FMEL perform research on the biology and control of biting arthropods. FMEL Facilities include a Biosafety Level 3 laboratory, a library, shop facilities, an animal holding and rearing facility, comprehensive computing equipment, a vehicle pool, mosquito rearing facilities, and a 12 bed dormitory for visiting scientists and students. Current laboratory staff includes 8 faculty, various postdoctoral fellows and graduate students and ca. 20 support personnel.

The University of Florida (http://www.ufl.edu) is a Land-Grant and Sea-Grant institution, encompassing virtually all academic and professional disciplines, with an enrollment of more than 50,000 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 15 academic departments and the School of Forest Resources and Conservation, 9 interdisciplinary centers, 13 research and educational centers throughout the state, and Cooperative Extension units in each of Florida’s 67 counties and the Seminole Tribe. The School of Natural Resources and Environment is an interdisciplinary unit housed in IFAS and managed by several colleges on campus. IFAS employs over 3400 people, which includes approximately 950 faculty and 2450 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 Senior 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**

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This position is available July 1, 2013 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 # 0901229
Dr. C. Roxanne Connelly
Chair, Search and Screen Committee
University of Florida
Florida Medical Entomology Laboratory
200 9th St, SE
Vero Beach, FL 32962

Telephone: 772.778.7205, extension 172
Facsimile: 772.778.7205
Electronic Mail: crr@ufl.edu

**Application Information**

- Individuals wishing to apply should go online to [http://jobs.ufl.edu/postings/31049](http://jobs.ufl.edu/postings/31049) and submit:
  - Application
  - Cover letter that states applicant’s interest in the position and qualifications relative to the credentials listed above
  - Statement of research interests
  - Brief statement describing a course that the applicant would be interested in teaching and novel methods for teaching or delivery that could be used (attach as ‘other document’).
  - Curriculum Vitae

- Official transcripts showing receipt of the doctoral degree and three letters of recommendation should be sent to:

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