POSITION ANNOUNCEMENT # 0001-2889

POSITION ANNOUNCEMENT

Title:        Assistant Professor of Insect Toxicology

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

Salary:      Commensurate with Qualifications and Experience

Position Open To:  Formal review of applications will begin March 1, 2007,  
                   and continue until the position is filled

Duties and Responsibilities
This is a 12-month tenure-accruing faculty position, 70% research (Florida Agricultural Experiment  
Station) and 30% teaching (College of Agricultural and Life Sciences), available in the Department of  
Entomology and Nematology, Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences, University of Florida.  This  
assignment may change in accordance with the needs of the unit.  The candidate will develop an  
internationally recognized, extramurally funded research program in insect toxicology.  Teaching  
responsibilities will include a graduate level course in insect toxicology, graduate seminars, and  
participation in the undergraduate teaching program.  The candidate will be expected to serve on graduate  
committees, to supervise undergraduate and graduate research, and to publish the results with 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.

Basic Qualifications
This position requires a Ph.D. in insect toxicology or a closely-related field, with experience and interest  
in the mechanisms underlying insect/toxicant interactions.  Skills in molecular biology, biochemistry, and  
analytical chemistry are required.  Postdoctoral experience is preferred.  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 Department of Entomology and Nematology is a unit in the Institute of Food and Agricultural  
Sciences (IFAS) at the University of Florida.  The Department (http://entnemdept.ifas.ufl.edu/) has  
diverse teaching, research and extension education programs with 32 faculty members located on the  
Gainesville campus, 40 faculty located across the state at research and education centers, 100 courtesy  
faculty and 40 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 48,000 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), 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 3,400 people, which includes approximately 950 faculty and 2,450 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. Facilities available to support the candidate’s research include the Analytical Toxicology Core Laboratory, the Interdisciplinary Center for Biotechnological Research (ICBR), the neurophysiology core at the School of Pharmacy, Brain Core and Whitney Lab, and the USDA laboratories.

**Employment Conditions**
This position is available July 1, 2007, 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 and Applications**
Both nominations and applications are welcome. Nominations need to include the complete name and address of the nominee.

Individuals wishing to apply should submit the following materials:
- Letter of application that states applicant’s interest in the position and qualifications relative to the credentials listed above;
- Complete curriculum vitae (which includes statement of current position and responsibilities);
- Copy of official transcript showing receipt of the doctoral degree;
- Statement of career goals including teaching philosophy;
- Copies of 2-3 representative publications (preferably sent in PDF format);
- Three letters of recommendation sent under separate cover.

Review of application materials will begin on or before March 1, 2007, and will continue until a suitable applicant is identified. Women and minorities are encouraged to apply.

**Contact Information, and Application and Nomination Submission Information**
Please refer to Position #0001-2889
Dr. Dron Boucias
Chair, Search and Screen Committee
University of Florida
Department of Entomology and Nematology
P.O. Box 110620
Gainesville, FL 32611-0620

Telephone: 352-392-1901, Ext. 147
Facsimile: 352-392-0190
Electronic Mail: pathos@ufl.edu

*The University of Florida is an equal opportunity and equal access employer. The “government in the sunshine” laws of Florida require that all documents relating to the search process, including letters of application, nomination, and reference, except transcripts, be available for public inspection. Persons with disabilities have the right to request and receive reasonable accommodation.*