



**MISSISSIPPI STATE UNIVERSITY™**  
DEPARTMENT OF BIOCHEMISTRY, MOLECULAR  
BIOLOGY, ENTOMOLOGY & PLANT PATHOLOGY

**POSITION:** Assistant Professor of Entomology, Mississippi State University

**DEPARTMENT:** Biochemistry, Molecular Biology, Entomology, and Plant Pathology (BCH-EPP)

**APPOINTMENT:** 9-month, Tenure-Track, 50% Research/50%Teaching

The Department of Biochemistry, Molecular Biology, Entomology, and Plant Pathology (BCH-EPP) at Mississippi State University seeks to fill a tenure-track, assistant professor position in entomology based at the main campus in Starkville. The successful candidate will be expected to develop a multidisciplinary, internationally recognized, and extramurally funded research program that uses innovative approaches to address basic and applied research topics that synergize with existing departmental strengths (<https://www.biochemistry.msstate.edu/mission.php>). Research areas of interest include but are not limited to insect pathology and biocontrol, microbiome contributions to insect health and behavior, and arthropod vector-pathogen interactions. Collaboration with other researchers and Extension Service colleagues both on and off campus is expected. The successful applicant will have a strong commitment to undergraduate and graduate education, teaching foundation courses in entomology, as well as advanced courses relevant to their areas of expertise, and serving on graduate student committees. The development of on-line courses is strongly encouraged. The successful candidate is expected to be an interactive member of the faculty, as well as contribute to relevant scientific/professional societies.

**QUALIFICATIONS:** A Ph.D. in entomology or a related field is required with demonstrated scholarly productivity, and excellence in written and oral communication. ABD candidates will be considered. Candidates with teaching experience, evidence of multidisciplinary collaborations, experience integrating basic and applied research, a record of leadership and service, and the ability to secure extramural funding will be given priority.

**APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS:** Applications must be submitted through the MSU employment portal at <https://explore.msujobs.msstate.edu/en-us/job/500276/assistant-professor>. Completed applications will include: the Personal Data Information Form (available online) as well as a current curriculum vitae, statements of research interests and teaching philosophy, copies of up to three relevant publications and contact information for at least three references. Review of applications will begin on **January 4, 2021** and will continue until the position is filled. Questions or requests for further information may be routed to Ms. Kathy Breland ([KBreland@entomology.msstate.edu](mailto:KBreland@entomology.msstate.edu)).

Mississippi State University ([www.msstate.edu](http://www.msstate.edu)) is a public, land-grant university whose mission is to provide access and opportunity to students from all sectors of the state's diverse population, as well as other states and countries, through excellence in teaching, research, and service. Candidates must be supportive of this mission and commit to Mississippi State University's core values of diversity, citizenship, leadership, and service. The Carnegie Foundation designates Mississippi State University as a Doctoral/Extensive institution for the Advancement of Teaching, and The Chronicle of Higher Education

has designated the university as a “Great College to Work For”  
([www.chronicle.com/interactives/greatcolleges18](http://www.chronicle.com/interactives/greatcolleges18)).

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