PhD Graduate Student Position

Forest symbiology: interactions between bark beetles, fungi, trees and the planet

Join the Forest Entomology team at the University of Florida (www.ambrosiasymbiosis.org) on our quest to understand bark beetles and their impact, and communicate your science to various audiences. We are looking for someone to train with us while bringing new ideas, skills, or even a new discipline to this team.

Our team includes expertise ranging from molecular ecology to biosystematics to invasive species and climate change. You could be an entomologist, mycologist, or molecular biologist but you don't have to be. You could just as easily be a computer scientist or an economist interested in forests, symbioses or the environment. We are interested in self-motivated, hard-working young scientists who will collaborate with the rest of the team on cutting-edge questions and exciting publications.

Do you have these talents? If so, we'd like to hear from you.

- Self-sufficiency in your field
- Quantitative thinking
- Scientific writing

These skills are not required but represent some of the types of fields that you may train in as a member of our team.

- Ecological statistics
- Molecular biosystematics
- Entomology, mycology or phytopathology
- Experience with government agencies
- Computer programming

Your salary, tuition, health care and research expenses will be fully covered. We welcome and encourage women, minorities, and LBGTQ candidates to apply. As part of the funding (graduate assistantship), you will be expected to contribute to extension activities or teaching.

Applications are due on January 10, 2019. Your appointment would start in the fall of 2019.

Located on the main campus of the University of Florida in Gainesville, FL, with occasional travel to field locations in Asia, South Africa, Central America, etc.

To apply, email 1) your CV with emphasis on publications, 2) a short statement of interest and 3) a description of your hobbies to hulcr@ufl.edu with the subject line, “PhD applicant 2019.”