

Research Assistant Positions in Entomology - Summer 2022

Full-time (40 hours/week) paid (\$15/hour) research technician positions are available for Summer 2022 in the Vegetable Entomology Lab (<https://vegetable.ent.msu.edu/>) at Michigan State University! Spend your summer researching nematodes, insect pests and pollinators on campus and on farms around Michigan! We are looking for enthusiastic individuals to participate in conducting ecological research in the field and the lab; setting up experiments, collecting insects and data. You will often travel in university vehicles (travel time is paid) to research sites across Michigan. Research will focus on insect ecology, biological control, pollination, organic farming, insect-plant disease vectors, crop scouting, and integrated pest management (IPM). You will get to know researchers, learn how to conduct ecological experiments, identify some insects, process data, collaborate in a research team and work independently. For more information about the lab and current research topics, visit: <https://vegetable.ent.msu.edu/>

To apply, please email your updated resume and a short description of why you are interested in working with us to Zsofia Szendrei - szendrei@msu.edu by 03/18/2022. Additionally, please include 2-3 names and contact information for professional references, to be contacted after interviews. Please put 'Summer Research Technician' in the subject line of the email and indicate if and when you are planning on taking time off during the summer with specific dates.

Required qualifications: valid U.S. driver's license, ability to drive for several hours at a time, ability to work outside for long periods, attention to detail, ability to work in teams and independently.

Desirable skills: Interest in insects, ecology and agriculture will be helpful. Candidates should be enthusiastic, willing to work flexible hours and enjoy working outside. Experience working with insects and Excel is a plus.