

**Department of Entomology, University of Kentucky, Lexington, KY**

**Laboratory Technician Senior – Forest Entomology  Requisition No: 50109065**

Grade Level: 40   Salary Range: 12.59-20.16/hour

Position Type: Regular Full-Time   Hours / Week: 37.5 (occasional overnight travel)

Required Education: Bachelor's Degree (M.S. preferred) Required Experience: 1 year

Job Summary - Under the direction of the project leader, the laboratory technician senior will assist in the management of a research program investigating the effects of insects on forest ecosystems. Employee will be responsible for overseeing field, greenhouse and lab procedures.

Skills / Knowledge / Abilities - Basic laboratory and field skills, computer literacy, ability to learn new procedures, strong organization skills and ability to work as part of a group are required.   
  
Required: Data collection; plant and arthropod handling; solution preparation; biological assays; troubleshooting; PC; word processing; general management; data entry; literature search.   
  
Desired: Experimental design; statistical/computer analysis; sterile techniques; chemical analyses; bio-chemical assays; prepare/use insecticide; hand/power saw; power drill; tree/bush pruning; weed eater; Windows; supervision; training/scientific writing; editing/proof reading.

Preferred Education / Experience: B.S. in Biology, Forestry, Agricultural Sciences, Chemistry or related discipline and one year of experience, or the equivalent combination of education and experience. *Willingness to obtain graduate degree a plus*.

Abilities: Prefer ability to drive a 4 WD vehicle and map reading skills; capable of lifting a 50 lb dead weight to waist-high and to wear/use a 30 lb backpack for at least an hour; able to work outdoors for long periods in any season or weather; able to hike and occasionally climb and descend steep terrain.

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