

Assistant professor: ecosystem ecology and biodiversity.

As part of the University of preeminence initiative in Ecosystem Ecology and Biodiversity the Department of Biology at the University of Florida seeks applications for a tenure-track Assistant Professor to begin August 16, 2018. The Department of Biology welcomes applicants working at the interface of ecosystem ecology (i.e., the flow of energy and matter through biotic and abiotic components of ecosystems) and functional, genetic, taxonomic, phylogenetic, and/or other components of biodiversity. Examples include links between microbial, plant, fungal, or animal diversity and carbon or nutrient cycling in terrestrial, freshwater, or marine systems. We encourage applicants who would substantially contribute to the University of Florida's commitment to broadening participation in the biodiversity sciences.

The successful candidate will be expected to establish an extramurally funded, internationally recognized research program. The candidate will also be expected to teach one course each semester, including ecosystem ecology, as well as other undergraduate and graduate courses in her/his area of expertise.

The University of Florida is among the top ten public universities in the United States. Research in the biological sciences at the University of Florida is conducted by faculty in many departments, and in multiple Colleges and Institutes, providing a rich intellectual environment and extensive opportunities for collaboration. These units include, for example, the UF Biodiversity Institute, the Florida Museum of Natural History, the Whitney Laboratory for Marine Bioscience, the Department of Wildlife Ecology and Conservation, the Florida Climate Institute, the Emerging Pathogens Institute, and the UF Genetics Institute. Additional resources include one of the largest university computing facilities in the US (HiPerGator), the Nature Coast Biological Station, and the Ordway-Swisher Biological Station (a core aquatic and terrestrial NEON site).

The University of Florida counts among its greatest strengths – and a major component of its excellence – that it values broad diversity in its faculty, students, and staff and creates a robust, inclusive, and welcoming climate for learning, research, and other work. UF is committed to equal educational and employment opportunity and access, and seeks individuals of all races, ethnicities, genders, and other attributes who, among their many exceptional qualifications, have a record of including a broad diversity of individuals in work and learning activities.

The University of Florida is an Equal Opportunity Institution.

ADVERTISED SALARY:

The salary is competitive and commensurate with qualifications and experience and includes a full benefits package.

MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS:

Successful candidates must have obtained a Ph.D. or equivalent degree in biological sciences or another relevant discipline.

PREFERRED QUALIFICATIONS:

Strong preference will be given to applicants with at least one year of postdoctoral experience, but exceptional applicants at the Ph.D. level may be considered.

SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS TO APPLICANTS:

Applications must be submitted through Careers at <http://explore.jobs.ufl.edu/cw/en-us/job/505389/uf-preeminence-assistant-professor-ecosystem-ecology-and-biodiversity> and must include: 1) a cover letter summarizing the applicant's qualifications and interests in the Department, (2) a complete curriculum vitae, (3) a statement of research interest, and (4) a statement of teaching philosophy. In addition, names and email address for three references must be provided on the application. When ready, the hiring department will send an email to your references, giving them instructions on how to upload their letters directly to the application website. To ensure full consideration, applications must be received by **December 1, 2017** and will continue until the position is filled.

The final candidate will be required to provide an official transcript prior to hiring. A transcript will not be considered "official" if a designation of "Issued to Student" is visible. Degrees earned from an educational institution outside of the United States must be evaluated by a professional credentialing service provider approved by the National Association of Credential Evaluation Services (NACES), which can be found at <http://www.naces.org/>.

The University of Florida is an Equal Opportunity Institution dedicated to building a broadly diverse and inclusive faculty and staff. The selection process will be conducted in accord with the provisions of Florida's 'Government in the Sunshine' and Public Records Laws. Persons with disabilities have the right to request and receive reasonable accommodation.