

Junior Specialist Position in Turfgrass Management University of California, Riverside

The Baird Lab in the Department of Botany and Plant Sciences at the University of California, Riverside is seeking a talented, highly motivated candidate to fill a junior specialist position in turfgrass pest management to support pesticide registration and provide information to the California Turfgrass Industry.

Position purpose: Under supervision, assist PI with turfgrass pest management research.

Essential job functions:

- Assist with design, implementation, data collection, analysis, interpretation, and preparation of reports/journal articles on turf pests and their control
- Work outdoors, frequent early mornings, and overnight travel in and out of state
- Assist in the assembly, testing and operation of complex laboratory and field equipment

Basic requirements (at time of application):

- Bachelor's degree in plant science or related field
- College-level coursework including courses in statistics, plant sciences and/or demonstrated lab experience
- Knowledge of use of routine lab equipment
- Comfortable handling pesticides
- Ability to start work day early at sunrise
- Ability to travel with overnight stays

Preferred qualifications:

- Experience in field research and applied statistics
- Experience in turfgrass management
- Knowledge of statistical software including SAS, R, Statistica

To Apply: Submit CV, a Statement of Past and/or Planned Future Contributions to Advancing Diversity and Inclusive Excellence, and the contact information for three references to <u>https://aprecruit.ucr.edu/apply/JPF01412</u>. Review of applications will begin on June 30, 2021. For full consideration, candidates should submit their complete applications prior to this date. For more information about this position, please contact Dr. Jim Baird, Chair of the Search Committee, Department of Botany & Plant Sciences, at <u>jbaird@ucr.edu</u>. For questions on application procedures and requirements, please contact Ms. Kendall Dunmore, Academic Personnel, at kendall.dunmore@ucr.edu.

Advancement through the Specialist ranks at the University of California is through a series of structured, merit-based evaluations, occurring every 2-3 years, each of which includes substantial peer input.

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