

# Summer **Research Assistant Positions Available!**



The Landscape Ecology and Biological Control Lab in the Department of Entomology is seeking applicants for several full-time summer **research assistants** to work on a variety of field and lab projects.

Projects include:

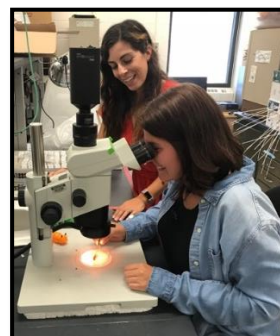
**Landscape ecology:** Sampling and identifying insect predators, bees and pests in croplands and natural areas across Michigan.

**Soil fauna - microbe interactions:** Measuring microarthropod-mediated changes in microbial activity in bioenergy cropping systems.

**Monarch butterfly conservation:** Monitoring for eggs and predators in milkweed patches.

Applicants must be able to work in both a laboratory and outdoors in a rural setting, for long periods of time, in all weather, with team members or independently, and must have a valid driver's license and be willing to travel to field sites in university vehicles (drive time is paid).

**Duties may include** but are not limited to collecting and looking for insects, setting up sampling equipment at field sites, taking detailed notes, taking soil cores, identifying organisms, using a microscope, growing plants in the greenhouse, and maintaining insect colonies. Wages are based on experience but start at **\$11/hr**. Flexible but preferable start date of **May 4<sup>th</sup>**. Full time (40 h/w) through August with potential part-time during the school year. Multiple year commitment encouraged but not required. Students with coursework, experience or career plans in **entomology, ecology, agroecology, zoology, wildlife, or plant sciences**; and insect or plant identification skills preferred.



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