



## Degree Information

The Department of Entomology strives to produce graduates with the relevant education and skills necessary to advance knowledge and provide solutions to the multifaceted problems involving insects in society and the environment. Through coursework, research, and hands-on experience, the Department offers an integrated entomology curriculum that spans core life science knowledge while including specialized training in topics unique to insects and their relatives.

The Master of Science and Doctor of Philosophy degrees in Entomology are offered with academic education and research training appropriate to thesis and dissertation projects addressing a wide array of subject matter areas.

## Student Development & Faculty Advising

Graduate advising and mentoring is provided by Entomology faculty who are nationally and internationally recognized. Faculty on the main campus as well as those located at eight research and extension centers across Texas address challenging entomological issues unique to geographic and climatic characteristics ranging from desert to sub-tropical, and from urban to rural landscapes. Advisory committees may be comprised of individuals with interdisciplinary expertise from across campus, as well as from industry, government and the private sector, where specialized expertise is beneficial to dissertation, or thesis research.



**AGRICULTURE  
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**Graduate  
Studies in**

**Entomology**

**MS  
PhD**

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Graduate students desiring development of skills, experience, and education in teaching have opportunities to assist in teaching courses in the department and to develop teaching credentials through the Academy for Future Faculty at Texas A&M University's Center for Teaching Excellence.

## Admission

For summer/fall applicants, we strongly urge a *priority deadline* of January 1<sup>st</sup>. The deadline for each term is:

March 1<sup>st</sup> for Summer Applicants

June 1<sup>st</sup> for Fall Applicants

November 1<sup>st</sup> for Spring Applicants

For international students residing outside the U.S., we suggest meeting the following optimal application deadlines:

February 15 for Summer/Fall Applicants

September 15 for Spring Applicants

## Placement and Jobs

Entomology graduates are highly competitive for employment in public, private, and government sectors where knowledge, experience and applications of the science of insects and other arthropods are required. Our former students have become prominent leaders in entomological research, application, education, and regulatory affairs for local, state, and national employers, as well as in international agencies and foreign countries.

## Distinguished Faculty

Faculty serve in nationally and internationally recognized leadership positions in professional societies and are at the cutting edge of their respective areas of expertise. They are also engaged in teaching, research and extension endeavors with state and federal agencies, key commodity groups, and other educational institutions.

The main campus houses 25 faculty members, including two Endowed Chairs, a Regents and a Research Fellow. An additional 18 faculty members are located at Texas A&M AgriLife Research and Extension Centers across the state, including an Endowed Chair and a Faculty Fellow.

## Extensive Facilities

The department occupies five floors of the Minnie Belle Heep Building and nearby buildings that house the Entomology Research Laboratory, Biological Control Laboratory, Tick Research Laboratory, Forensic Entomology Laboratories, Rollins Urban and Structural Entomology Facility, and Janice and John G. Thomas Honey Bee Facility. The Texas A&M University Insect Collection is the largest and most actively growing arthropod collection in the Southwest, containing more than 2.5 million specimens representing more than 35,000 identified species. The collection provides resources for research and teaching activities at state, national and international levels.

## Mentoring

Students tailor their academic and research interests, and professional development with the guidance and mentorship of their advisory committee. Expectations for success in academic achievement, research discovery, and service provide the basis for mentoring students into successful careers. Matching career aspirations of students with directed opportunities and encouragement for professional development are central to our mentoring efforts.

## Financial Support

Applicants are encouraged to work with faculty advisors on funding, including collaborations for scholarship and fellowship applications, and grant proposal writing. A limited number of competitive departmental research and teaching assistantships are available.

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