ENTOMOLOGY AND NEMATOLOGY

This biological science includes the study of insects, mites, ticks, spiders, and nematodes. These creatures can have both helpful and harmful effects on our food, environment, and health. Entomology and Nematology students study ecology, medically significant arthropods, social insects, insect management, physiology, behavior, evolution, natural ecosystem cycles, and systematics.

About this Program

- **College:** Agricultural and Life Sciences (http://catalog.ufl.edu/UGRD/colleges-schools/UGAGL/)
- **Degree:** Bachelor of Science
- **Specializations:** Biological Science of Insects (http://catalog.ufl.edu/UGRD/colleges-schools/UGAGL/ENY_BS/ENY_BS02/) | Preprofessional (http://catalog.ufl.edu/UGRD/colleges-schools/UGAGL/ENY_BS/ENY_BS04/) | Urban Pest Management (http://catalog.ufl.edu/UGRD/colleges-schools/UGAGL/ENY_BS/ENY_BS07/)
- **Credits for Degree:** 120

To graduate with this major, students must complete all university, college, and major requirements.

Department Information

The Entomology and Nematology Department prepares students for exciting careers in a variety of fields. Entomology and Nematology majors can enter medical, dental, or veterinary school; progress to graduate study in any of several biological sciences such as ecology, nematology, entomology, horticulture, or zoology; or move directly to a variety of careers in fields such as pest management, ecotourism, or biosecurity. Website (http://entomology.ifas.ufl.edu/)

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Curriculum

- Combination Degrees
- Entomology and Nematology
- Entomology and Nematology Minor
- Landscape Pest Management Certificate
- Medical Entomology Certificate
- Pest Control Technology Certificate
- Urban Pest Management Certificate

The Department of Entomology and Nematology offers the major. Faculty within the department cover areas in systematics, ecology, medically significant arthropods, social insects, insect management, physiology, behavior, evolution and natural ecosystem cycles. The department has a long tradition of sending students to medical, veterinary and dental school. Graduate school prospects are also high and employment options using entomology are versatile.

Academic Learning Compact

The entomology and nematology curriculum develops an excellent knowledge base and an understanding of concepts and fundamental practices. Through formal courses, laboratory experimentation and individual research experience, students will learn how the scientific method is applied to the biological world at the whole organism and population levels. Students will learn to evaluate hypotheses, to acquire and interpret experimental data, and to communicate results effectively in appropriate styles. Special focus will be information on insect identification, morphology, behavior, physiology and ecology.

Before Graduating Students Must

- Pass the entomology and nematology competency exam, which will be tailored to individual specializations.
- Complete requirements for the baccalaureate degree, as determined by faculty.

Students in the Major Will Learn to

Student Learning Outcomes (SLOs)

Content

1. Identify insects and describe and explain insect morphology, physiology and behavior.

Critical Thinking

2. Acquire, analyze and synthesize entomological information.

Communication

3. Communicate proficiently in the sciences in oral and written forms.

Curriculum Map

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Assessment Types

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- Course grades
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