

**Job Description**

**Posting ID #**

70240P

**Title**

Extension Program Specialist  
III - Beeologist

**Employing Department**

Agriculture and Natural  
Resources Extension and  
Outreach

**Appointment Conditions**

Term, 12 Months, Full Time,  
Appointment Ending  
10/01/2020 with possibility  
of renewal

**Proposed Start Date**

As soon as possible.

**Salary**

Commensurate with  
experience and education.

The Agriculture and Natural Resources program with Iowa State University Extension and Outreach is seeking applications for an Extension Program Specialist – Field Crop Pollination Entomology.

The Extension Program Specialist will work closely with the field crop extension entomology program and assist with program planning and coordination, creation and delivery of communication and outreach materials, publications, evaluation, and reporting related to field crop entomology and pollinator conservation. The incumbent will assist with the development of applied pest management curriculum for extension programs with a focus on honey bee and wild bee health; facilitate improved communication and social media relations with beekeepers, farmers, ag businesses, and entomology professionals; and initiate research projects while collecting and summarizing data findings within the field of study.

The Extension Program Specialist will assist with farmer and stakeholder education in the target areas of beekeeping, wild bee conservation, and field crop entomology through the creation and delivery of presentations. The incumbent will work with ISU Research Farms and participate in on-farm demonstrations and research related to corn and soybean IPM. The Extension Program Specialist will leverage these resources and established relationships to engage beekeepers and farmers on their farms and exploring new practices through research projects.

The Extension Program Specialist III will be expected to create and deliver comprehensive and complex communications and outreach materials; identify and implement innovative ways to meet clients' needs; take an active role in the development of interdisciplinary curriculum; and provide leadership/supervision and subject-matter expertise.

The successful candidate will possess the ability to communicate effectively both orally and in writing with a wide variety of individuals and groups. The incumbent will be expected to work effectively both individually and in team settings and have the ability to develop strong working relationships with Iowa State University faculty and staff as well as partners and clientele within the agricultural industry. To be successful in the position, the candidate will possess strong organizational skills, expertise in Microsoft Office, and the ability to multi-task.

## Required Qualifications

Bachelor's degree and 4 years of related experience; OR a Master's degree and 2 years of related experience.

## Preferred Qualifications

Degree in Entomology, Ecology, Agronomy or closely related field. Experience with developing extension curriculum and materials. Experience collecting and presenting research data to a range of audiences. Experience in field crop entomology with an emphasis in integrated pest management. Experience with social media and web content creation. Experience with honey bees, beekeeping, and/or wild bees. Experience developing and implementing surveys.

## Special Conditions

All offers of employment, oral and written, are contingent upon the university's verification of credentials and other information required by federal and state law, ISU policies/procedures, and may include the completion of a background check.

## Application Instructions

Application must be submitted online. Please be prepared answer screening questions and to attach or enter the following: 1) Resume/Curriculum Vitae, 2) Letter of Application/Cover Letter, and 3) Contact information for three references. If you have questions regarding this vacancy, please contact Kaela Black at [kblack@iastate.edu](mailto:kblack@iastate.edu) or call 515-294-3283. If you have questions regarding this application process, please email [employment@iastate.edu](mailto:employment@iastate.edu) or call 515-294-4800 or Toll Free: 1-877-477-7485.

**To ensure consideration, submit application by:**

June 7, 2017

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