

## Full-time Summer Undergraduate Helper Needed

The Kim and Spiesman Labs at Kansas State University Entomology are hiring full-time undergraduate helpers for field and lab work in Insect Ecology and Conservation. We study how land management affects plant-insect interactions such as herbivory, predation, and pollination. Enthusiasm for insect conservation, ecology, and/or sustainable agriculture is desired and experience with research and knowledge of insect biology and ecology is preferred.

If interested, please contact Dr. Tania Kim or Dr. Brian Spiesman for more information about research in the lab (see below for contact information). Submit a cover letter, CV and copies of transcripts.

Pay rate: \$12-15 (depending on experience and need for summer housing)

Start date/duration: Flexible but end of May to beginning of August .

### Job responsibilities:

- Handle & identify plants and insects in the field and lab
- Assist with building computer vision technologies to identify insects
- Collect, image, & process insect data
- Be willing to work in challenging conditions (high temperatures, buggy, steep slopes, tall vegetation, heavy pollen, etc.)
- Work independently & collaborate with a team
- Drive to & from field sites (<50 miles of Manhattan)

### Requirements:

- Valid US driver's license
- Attention to detail and ability to stay focused on tedious or repetitive tasks
- Coursework or interest in ecology, biology, entomology, or related fields
- Ability to work independently and with others
- Experience with or willingness to learn insect handling, including bees, and processing techniques
- Enjoy being outside, comfortable working in hot/humid conditions.



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