

MICHIGAN STATE

Postdoctoral Position Pollinator Ecology and Ecosystem Services

The Department of Energy-funded **Great Lakes Bioenergy Research Center** (GLBRC) seeks to hire a postdoctoral scientist to study the implications of different biofuel crop systems for pollinators and the pollination ecosystem services they deliver. This position will be responsible for designing and conducting field studies that address issues related to the links between biodiversity and ecosystem function, as well as how potential biofuel management practices might influence bee communities. The position will link with other multi-disciplinary research projects within the GLBRC Sustainability Area.

We are most interested in applicants with experience in native bee ecology and/or management, with excellent writing skills and publication record, and a combination of experience in bee identification, landscape ecology, and spatial analysis. Good organizational skills and the ability to manage large field research programs are required. Applicants should hold a PhD degree in Entomology or a related discipline. The position will be located in East Lansing at the MSU campus (<u>www.msu.edu</u>) with frequent travel throughout the lower peninsula of Michigan, so applicants must possess a valid driver's license. This is a 1 year position with potential for renewal. Salary and fringe benefits are highly competitive.

Applications should be submitted as a single pdf file and include CV, a summary of relevant research experience, and the names and contact information for three professional references. The review of applications will begin Sept. 30, 2011 and will continue until a suitable candidate is identified. The start date is approximately Jan. 1, 2012. Please send application materials electronically to Rufus Isaacs (<u>isaacsr@msu.edu</u>) in the Department of Entomology at MSU (<u>www.ent.msu.edu</u>). More information about the GLBRC can be found at <u>www.greatlakesbioenergy.org/</u>. MSU is an affirmative-action, equal-opportunity employer. MSU is committed to achieving excellence through cultural diversity. The university actively encourages applications and/or nominations of women, persons of color, veterans and persons with disabilities.

