

Department: Biology

Working Title: Insect curator and outreach assistant

Classification: Instructional Student Assistant

Number of Openings: 4

Pay Rate: \$17.86

Appointment: 10

Expected Dates of Employment: **24 Aug 2026- 27 May 2027**

Deadline to Apply: **22 August 2026**

Requisition #: BIO_ISA_2627

DUTIES OF THE POSITION

Inspect insect collection for damage by dermestid beetles; review insect specimens submitted as coursework for inclusion into permanent insect collection in the Jack Arnold Museum; identify insect specimens as needed; maintain live insect colony; refill specimen containers with appropriate preservative. Curator will participate in outreach activities and may help produce displays for educational purposes to discuss with community members. Assistant will work with Center of Environmental Inquiry to support events and collaborative outreach projects.

MINIMAL QUALIFICATIONS

The ability to learn and perform assigned work; work cooperatively with faculty, staff, and other students; and accept responsibility. Completion of specific coursework may be required in order to teach, grade, complete research, or tutor for a course. Admission or registration as a university student. Note: Exceptions to the minimum eligibility qualifications may be granted at the sole discretion of the University.

HIRING CRITERIA

Prior experience performing course work in biological diversity, museum curation, or service learning

HOW TO APPLY

Please send email to Nathan Rank (rank@sonoma.edu)

HIRING NOTIFICATION

Emails will be sent to successful candidates

SUPERVISOR

Nathan Rank

OTHER INFORMATION

- The classification, Instructional Student Assistant, is one of three classifications in a collective bargaining unit, Unit 11. Instructional Student Assistants, who must be currently enrolled University students, perform tutoring, grading, or teaching-related duties under the supervision of faculty or professional staff.
- Sonoma State University hires only individuals lawfully authorized to work in the United States. All offers of employment are contingent upon presentation of documents demonstrating the appointee's identity and eligibility to work, in accordance with the provisions of the Immigration Reform and Control Act.
- The university is an Affirmative Action/Equal Opportunity Employer. We consider qualified applicants for employment without regard to race, religion, color, national origin, ancestry, age, sex, gender, gender identity, gender expression, sexual orientation, genetic information, medical condition, disability, marital status, or protected veteran status.
- This position is considered a "mandated reporter" under the California Child Abuse and Neglect Reporting Act and is required to comply with the requirements set forth in CSU Executive Order 1083 as a condition of employment.
- Successful candidates may be required to do a background check (including a criminal records check) before work in the position can begin.

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