

**M.S. Position in Forest Entomology
Warnell School of Forestry and Natural Resources
University of Georgia**

The Warnell School of Forestry and Natural Resources at the University of Georgia, Athens, invites applications from highly motivated and enthusiastic potential M.S. students starting in Spring or Summer 2025. The research project is with the Southern Pine Health Research Cooperative (<https://southernpinehealth.org>) at the Warnell School. The M.S. research will focus on Nantucket pine tip moth integrated pest management in southern pine forests with a focus on insecticide use and non-target environmental assessments. Extensive fieldwork in Georgia and lab work will be required. The candidate will be stationed on the Athens Campus for classes and the Tifton Campus for fieldwork. The ideal candidate will possess a strong background in entomology or a related field with an independent spirit to develop, conduct, and publish research. A background in forest and land measurements would be an advantage. A B.S. in a related field is a prerequisite for the position. A competitive salary and benefits package will be provided for 2 years.

The involved faculty will be Dr. Elizabeth McCarty and Dr. David Clabo. The student will work with the Forest Health Laboratory (<https://ugaforesthealth.org/>) on the Tifton Campus at the University of Georgia. This lab is a dynamic team that works on a broad range of ecological issues, forest insect species, and ecosystems. This project is funded by the Southern Pine Health Research Cooperative. This cooperative is funded by private forest companies and USDA Forest Service and provides leadership in managing major pests and pathogens using rigorous applied research with practical solutions in the southeastern pine forests.

The Warnell School of Forestry and Natural Resources (<http://www.warnell.uga.edu/>) is the oldest forestry school in the South, has >70 faculty working in diverse fields, and provides exemplary training of students in the fields of forestry, ecology, and conservation biology. The School is housed in a four-building complex on campus, and has >23,000 acres in the state for research, teaching, and service activities. The University of Georgia (<http://www.uga.edu/>) is a “land-grant and sea-grant university, and is also the state's oldest, most comprehensive and diversified institution of higher education”. Its motto is: "to teach, to serve and to inquire into the nature of things, and reflects the University's integral and unique role in the conservation and enhancement of the state's and nation's intellectual, cultural, and environmental heritage". The University of Georgia is an affirmative action and equal opportunity employer.

Interested personnel should submit a statement of interest, current CV, and contact information for three references to Dr. McCarty (elizabeth.mccarty@uga.edu; 706-389-9725).