



**American Samoa Community College**  
***Agriculture Community & Natural Resources Division***  
**IN-HOUSE EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY**

**Position Title:** Entomology Technician  
**Employment Status:** Full Time 12 months (Career Service)

**General Description:**

Under the direct supervision of the Entomologist, the Entomology Technician helps plan, coordinate, and implement field and laboratory projects to develop and extend effective, environmentally-sound strategies to manage insect pests in American Samoa.

**Responsibilities and Duties:**

***Administrative***

- Record data from field sampling and trapping and from research plots; maintain written records of plot management and observations of crop condition, pest levels, and other factors affecting outcomes
- Set up, carry out, and record data from laboratory experiments

***Technical***

- Establish and maintain research plots on-and-off station. Maintenance activities include: planting and irrigation; manual and chemical weed, disease, and insect control; pruning; fertilizer application; and harvesting
- Carry out sampling and trapping protocols in the field to detect and monitor insect pests
- Clean, maintain, and repair research facilities, equipment, tools, and vehicles
- Assist with field collection, preparation, and preservation of insect specimens
- Assist with rearing of insects in laboratory
- Assist Entomologist and Research Assistants with demonstrations and presentations
- Help constructs cages, shelves, or other experimental apparatuses

***Reporting***

- Provide feedback to Entomologist on problems encountered and suggest ways to improve research and extension
- Perform other duties as assigned by Entomologist

**Minimum Qualifications:**

- High School Diploma
- Two years' experience in agriculture, entomology, or related field
- Proficiency in spoken and written Samoan and English
- Strength and stamina to conduct moderately strenuous field work
- Ability to work effectively with minimal supervision either individually or on a team
- Good observational skills and attention to detail
- Driver's license and ability to drive a manual transmission vehicle

**Preferred Qualifications**

- Demonstrated interest in science and agriculture
- Hands-on experience growing the major crops of American Samoa
- Ability to identify the commonly cultivated and wild plants of American Samoa
- Carpentry skills
- Proficiency in proper use of pesticides

**Salary Range:** GS-09/04-06: \$20,680.00 - \$22,240.00 per annum

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**Application Deadline:** March 9<sup>th</sup>, 2023 no later than 4:00pm

Applications are available from American Samoa Community College, Human Resources Office 699-9155 Ext. 456/466/460, 699-2722 ext 3601/3602/3603/3604/3605/3606,  
<http://www.amsamoa.edu/employmentopportunities.html> or by emailing [ascchumanresources@amsamoa.edu](mailto:ascchumanresources@amsamoa.edu).

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