

Tenure track position in ecology and conservation biology

The Mitrani Department of Desert Ecology (MDDE) at the Jacob Blaustein Institutes for Desert Research, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev (BGU) invites applications for a tenure track position in the field(s) of ecology/evolutionary biology/conservation biology, with an expected start date of October 1, 2022.

The MDDE is located on BGU's Sede Boqer Campus in Midreshet Ben-Gurion. The campus is uniquely surrounded by the desert environment that constitutes the research focus of the department's faculty and students. The MDDE is home to a vibrant and diverse international student community. The MDDE faculty and students are committed to the study of ecology, evolution, and nature conservation. The complementarity of these scientific fields motivates a robust understanding of ecological and evolutionary processes and ecosystem functioning in diverse environments, from pristine to highly disturbed ecosystems.

The MDDE is a well-established department, with an international reputation. Its faculty members conduct research in various fields, including evolutionary ecology, behavioral ecology, disease and microbial ecology, population and community ecology, conservation, conservation genetics, conservation behavior, agroecology, and human-nature relationships. MDDE members maintain extensive national and international partnerships, and advise and collaborate with government agencies and NGOs.

The applicant is required to have a PhD in the field(s) of natural sciences or exact sciences, at least one-year of postdoctoral experience, and a well-established publication record in leading journals, demonstrating excellence in research and a distinct field of expertise.

The successful candidate is expected to establish a vigorous, externally funded research program, carry out and publish independent cutting-edge scientific research, advise graduate students, and contribute to the graduate and undergraduate curricula in ecology and conservation.

Interested candidates should submit their applications no later than **February, 15th 2022** through the following link: [Applying for a faculty position at BGU](#), but the application will stay open until the position is filled. All inquiries should be sent to the Chair of the Search Committee: Prof. Itamar Giladi itushgi@bgu.ac.il.

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