

# Sensilla

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## Entomology and Plant Pathology



Noble Research Center for Agricultural  
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### April Calendar of Events

Seminar – <b>Sulav Paul</b> and <b>Xin Li</b>	Apr	5
Sanborn Entomology Club – Insect Adventure	Apr	11
Seminar – <b>Dr. Ochoa Corona</b>	Apr	12
Ag Day at the Capitol	Apr	16
Faculty Meeting	Apr	19
Seminar – <b>Amelea Jones</b> and <b>Nina Rudin</b>	Apr	19
Southwestern Branch ESA Annual Meeting	Apr	21-24
Pre-finals Week Begins	Apr	29-30

### May Calendar of Events

Pre-finals Week Continues	May	1-3
4800 Capstone Presentations	May	3
Finals Week	May	6-10
Graduate Commencement	May	10
Undergraduate Commencement	May	11
Memorial Day – University Holiday	May	27

### Congratulations!

**Dr. Bruce Noden** received a 2024 President’s Faculty Fellows Research Award from Dr. Kayse Shrum during the Annual Researcher’s Reception in the OSU Student Union Ballroom on March 26. The title of his project is, “Evaluating Effect of Woody Plant Encroachment on Tick-borne Pathogens in the Soth Central United States.”

## New Faces

**Benjamin Dunagan** is the Agricultural Financial Services Team Manager for the Noble Research Center Finance Team, which includes the Department of Entomology and Plant Pathology. He began this position on September 1, 2023. He had previously worked in the Department of Biochemistry and Molecular Biology since March 2015 as an Accounting Specialist, then Senior Accounting Specialist. Before that, he was Branch President of the IBC Bank in Stillwater for eight years. Ben received his B.A. degree in Theater from OSU in 2006.

**Stephanie Noble** is a new Administrative Support Specialist for the department who is working half-time in the mornings in the main office, and began her position on April 1. She was previously the Business Office Manager at Stillwater Country Club for two years, and prior to that she worked for Stillwater Designs for 18 years.

**Will Whittington** is the new Accounting Specialist for the Noble Research Center Finance Team who began his position on March 18. He previously worked as a Senior Financial Assistant in the Department of Microbiology and Molecular Genetics at OSU. Before that, he worked at a brewery and in OSU University Accounting. He received his B.S. degree in Business Administration and Accounting from OSU in 2011.

## On the Move

**Noah Dunagan** left our department on March 8 and is now an Accounting Specialist for the Division of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources Animal and Food Sciences/Food and Agricultural Products Center Finance Team. He began his position in our department as a Financial Assistant I on February 11, 2020.

## Departmental Seminars

Seminars will be held at 3:00 p.m. in Room 216-218 NRC.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Speaker</u>	<u>Title</u>
Apr. 5	<b>Sulav Paul and Xin Li</b>	Introductory Seminars
Apr. 12	<b>Dr. Francisco Ochoa Corona</b>	Virus Chasers Cumulative Review 2019-2023
Apr. 19	<b>Amelea Jones and Nina Rudin</b>	Introductory Seminars
Apr. 26	Dr. Saima Shahid	Small RNA-mediated Interaction of Parasitic Plants with Hosts

## April Birthdays

<b>Bill Massey</b>	April 1
<b>Francisco Ochoa Corona</b>	April 1
<b>Allison Fesler</b>	April 7
<b>Ethan Shaw</b>	April 7
<b>Jacob Long</b>	April 13
<b>Akhtar Ali</b>	April 15
<b>Kelly Vierling</b>	April 17
<b>Sharon Hillock</b>	April 19
<b>Ryley Hall</b>	April 22
<b>Samantha Hittson</b>	April 24
<b>Haobo Jiang</b>	April 24
<b>LaFonda Barrera</b>	April 27
<b>Lisa Coburn</b>	April 27
<b>William Drew</b>	April 29