The Franz Lab and Hasbrouck Insect Collection at ASU (http://franz.lab.asu.edu/) are involved in a range of research activities, ranging from insect systematics (in particular beetles and moths) to historical biogeography, and finally the development of novel approaches for data integration based on taxon concepts. We focus both on regional and New World tropical insect radiations, with a new project concentrating on the species diversity and build-up of on-line data portals for Panamanian insects.

Interested students should have a profound interest in understanding comparative biology, insect diversity, and natural history and informatics research. A desire to carry out field and collection work is highly beneficial. Concomitant enrollment in BIO 386 (General Entomology) is preferred. Students should commit to 10 hours weekly and ideally one year or more to acquire a wealth of systematic, curatorial, field, and informatics related skills and carry out semi-independent research in these areas. Our lab has dynamic group of undergraduate students with a passion for entomology and systematics, both in theory and in practice.

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