

StaphMeeting A Workshop on Rove Beetles

20-26 June 2018, Clemson, South Carolina

The course will provide a general overview of the Rove Beetle Universe, including ecology and identification of all 32 Staphylinidae subfamilies of the world, plus an overview of known larvae. Emphasis will be placed on North American taxa.

The main purpose of the course is to aid in identification of specimens. Students will learn to sight ID most subfamilies (it can be done!) and gain experience using keys.

The workshop will consist of lectures and laboratories, including demonstration of microdissection and slide mounting, and some field collecting.

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Detailed information, Application Form:

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A very unique opportunity. Staphylinidae is the largest family in the world with 63,000+ species. They are nearly ubiquitous across the terrestrial landscape, represent some of the most numerous micro-predators in forest systems, contain hundreds of myrmecophilous species, thousands of undescribed species, and are woefully underutilized in ecological studies. StaphMeeting is the first and only rove beetle workshop of its kind in the world.

Application Deadline: 30 March

