

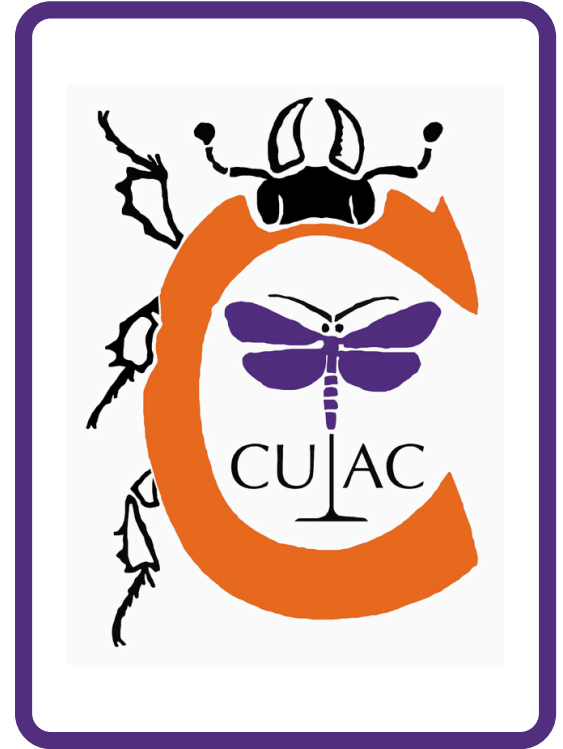
Meet the Entomologist



Niko Artley

I'm interested in forest and aquatic entomology, or the bugs in the woods and the water. I consider myself a generalist, which means I don't focus on any one area.

My favorite parts of my job are outreach work (like MiMs) and insect identification! I love helping people find out "what's that bug?"



Why Did I Choose Entomology?

I only found out that bugs were really cool when I got to college! Once I saw the insects that live in mountain streams, I was absolutely fascinated and didn't even think about doing anything else.

A Bit About Me

I earned my bachelor's degree with a minor in entomology from Clemson University in 2025, and am moving on to graduate school soon! Outside of school and work, I like to embroider, crochet, and bike.



My favorite bug is the American carrion beetle. It's often important in solving crimes because its babies are necrophagous -- that means they eat dead animals!