

Assistant Professor of Biology: Environmental Biology or Botany

About Erskine College

At the heart of Erskine College is its Christian identity. The mission of Erskine College is to glorify God as a Christian academic community where students integrate knowledge and faith, equipped to flourish as whole persons prepared for lives of service, leadership, and influence through the pursuit of undergraduate liberal arts, graduate, and seminary education.

Description

Erskine College (www.erskine.edu) invites applications for a tenure-track Assistant Professor position in the Department of Biology (start date Aug 2026). A broad background in biology and genuine enthusiasm for teaching in an undergraduate Christian liberal arts environment are essential. Previous undergraduate teaching experience is desired. We seek applicants who will complement and expand our existing departmental disciplinary strengths, with current needs particularly in the areas of environmental biology or botany. Biostatistics is another area of need. Earned Ph.D. by start date is expected, but exceptional ABD candidates will be considered.

Responsibilities

Teaching load of 24 credit hours per year, with in-person teaching of lecture and lab. Teaching responsibilities initially include introductory biology for science majors or non-majors, senior seminar, and courses in field of specialty. Responsibilities may include curation of the herbarium and greenhouse. Additional responsibilities include departmental, institutional, and church/community service. Faculty members are expected to embrace and support the Erskine mission statement. For additional information, please contact the search committee chair Dr. Matthew Campbell (Campbell@erskine.edu).

Qualifications

- A personal relationship with Jesus Christ
- Commitment to Erskine's mission, vision, and statement of faith
- Willingness to offer spiritual support to students and staff

- Earned Ph.D. in Biology or related field
- Prior teaching experience at the university level is preferred
- A record of scholarly research with a demonstrated potential for scholarly contributions involving undergraduates in your specialized research field
- Excellent communication skills, both written and verbal, with the ability to engage and inspire students
- Prefer experience with herbarium curation.

Application Process

To ensure full consideration, interested candidates should complete the online application, which can be found <u>here</u>. In addition, please provide the following:

- Resumé
- Cover letter
- Statement of faith and teaching philosophy that articulates your faith in Jesus Christ and how that faith informs your work as a scholar/teacher and would help fulfill Erskine's mission.
- References (contact information at least three)
- Application review will begin immediately, and applications will be accepted until the position is filled.