

ECOLOGIST (Tenure-Track)
Department of Biology
Ursinus College

Ursinus College invites applications for a TENURE-TRACK ASSISTANT PROFESSOR beginning fall 2016. Responsibilities include teaching an introductory ecology/evolution course, an introductory plant biology course, the campus-wide first-year seminar (the Common Intellectual Experience), upper level courses in the applicant's specialty, and developing a research program involving undergraduates. Ph.D. and post-doctoral research experience required; teaching experience preferred.

[Ursinus College](#), located in a suburban setting 35 miles northwest of center city Philadelphia, is a highly selective, nationally ranked, independent, coeducational, residential liberal arts college of 1,650 students, with a long tradition of strength in science. As part of its commitment to liberal education, all entering students participate in a seminar course called the [Common Intellectual Experience](#), with readings from philosophy, science, history, and literature. As the aim of this course is to foster an intellectual community on campus, the successful candidate will contribute to the teaching of this course.

The [Biology Department](#), which supports majors in Biology, Biochemistry and Molecular Biology, Neurobiology, and Environmental Studies, is, with fourteen full-time [faculty members](#), the largest in the College. Faculty interests span all disciplines of biology, from biochemistry to ecology, as part of its philosophy of offering students a broad-based and integrative curriculum. The successful candidate will be expected to further develop collaborations with the [Department of Environmental Studies](#) and its [faculty](#). The candidate will also find opportunities to engage students, through the [Center for Science and the Common Good](#), in a continuing dialogue about their responsibilities as civically-engaged scientists.

Aided by numerous grants from NSF, NIH, and HHMI, the Department and the College provides strong support for faculty research involving undergraduates. An example is the College-wide [Summer Fellows Program](#), which provides stipends, supply money, and housing for approx. 80 students engaged in summer research projects, some funded by the College, others by an HHMI grant to the College, as well as NSF, USDA-NIFA, and NIH grants to individual faculty. Faculty mentors of Summer Fellows also receive stipends.

Applicants should describe (1) their commitment to and philosophy of undergraduate teaching in a liberal arts setting, and (2) a research program that will involve undergraduate collaborators. Send letter of application, curriculum vitae, and transcripts to <http://apply.interfolio.com/30113>. Ask three referees to submit confidential letters of recommendation to the same interfolio address. Review of applications begins immediately and concludes October 2, 2015.

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