We Welcome Dr. Amy Telligman to Wofford!

I am happy to return to South Carolina after many years away. Growing up, I spent my summers just down the road in Chester County and graduated from Presbyterian College with a biology degree. After PC, I moved to Georgia where I spent time learning about the state while working for The Nature Conservancy of Georgia, visiting rare pitcher plant populations as a volunteer for the Atlanta Botanical Gardens, interning as a plant biologist on a longleaf pine plantation, earning a master’s degree in Conservation Ecology & Sustainable Development from the University of Georgia, teaching high school science and enjoying the finer aspects of urban life like dog sitting and community gardens.

Following my stint in Atlanta I moved to Boulder, Colorado where I earned my PhD in Environmental Studies from the University of Colorado. There I studied farmland protection and preferences for land use practices on protected agricultural lands. I was also involved in efforts to develop a more sustainable campus food system. Most recently I’ve been living in Alabama working as a postdoctoral researcher in the Rural Sociology Department at Auburn University where I studied the beliefs and attitudes southern, rural consumers have about local foods and beef in particular.

At Wofford I look forward to being a part of the various sustainability initiatives happening on campus and beyond.

Dr. Telligman represents the first of two new faculty positions made possible by a generous grant from the Romill Foundation to develop the Milliken Sustainability Initiative, in which we will explore connections between environmental and community sustainability, and move forward with positive change.

Dr. Ferguson and ENVS senior Ben Thomas spent the summer doing fieldwork for a collaborative research project. The goat came through to investigate!
Auburn University offers several graduate degrees in the School of Forestry and Wildlife Sciences (SFWS) including forestry, natural resources, and wildlife sciences. Areas of research interest include forest biology, ecology forest management, wildlife ecology and management.

As a research facility, Auburn has several outdoor classrooms in addition to its SFWS building on the University’s main campus. Kreher Preserve and Nature Center is a 120-acre property that offers students opportunities to conduct research, lead hikes, help with educational programs, or learn different aspects of park management. The Mary Olive Thomas Demonstration Forest is a 400-acre property that is used to develop recreation or education management plans and conduct fire behavior plans. The Dixon Center is a 5300-acre outdoor classroom and program venue with options for overnight accommodations and is used for summer practicum. Weagle Woods is an 11-acre tract on campus that students have used in management projects.

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