Position:  Clemson University Herbarium (CLEMS) Curator and Lecturer

The Department of Biological Sciences at Clemson University (Clemson, South Carolina, U.S.A.) seeks applicants for a 12-month, full-time Herbarium Curator and Lecturer. This is a renewable, non-tenure track position with opportunity for promotion. The regionally focused collection includes approximately 90,000 specimens of vascular plants and lichens that is the second largest herbarium collection in South Carolina and part of the Bob and Betsy Campbell Museum of Natural History.

For more information about the herbarium, please see our website at https://www.clemson.edu/science/departments/biosci/research/herbarium. For more information about the department, please see our website at https://www.clemson.edu/science/departments/biosci. Additional information about the university and location is available at https://www.clemson.edu/science/departments/biosci/files/pdf/cuherb- curator-lecturer.pdf.

Position Responsibilities

Responsibilities as Curator will include inventory and loan management, specimen preparation, repair, and maintenance, and maintenance of the Herbarium digital collection information system and library. Responsibilities as Lecturer will include teaching 1-2 lecture courses with associated labs per year on topics including plant taxonomy/systematics and field-based botany, as well as supporting inquiry-based learning related to the Herbarium. This role will also collaborate with the Curator of the Vertebrate Collection to promote the discovery, learning, and engagement missions of the Museum of Natural History through outreach associated with plant identification, public presentations, tours, and special events. The Curator/Lecturer will supervise students and volunteers, and work closely with faculty, students, and staff to facilitate use of the collection as a resource for research and education. The Herbarium is moving into renovated space in Summer 2020, providing an expanded location for the collection and its use by researchers and students. The Curator/Lecturer will be responsible for overseeing the move, and for developing new exhibits that promote the use of the collection for discovery, learning, and engagement.

Qualifications

Successful candidates must have an M.S. in Botany, Biology, or a related discipline at the time of appointment, with a Ph.D. preferred. Ideal candidates will demonstrate significant herbarium curatorial experience, strong computing skills (including experience working with database management systems and GIS), expertise in vascular plant identification, successful experience teaching university-level biology lecture and laboratory courses, and a commitment to promoting and enhancing diversity and inclusion. Knowledge of the flora of the Southeastern US is preferred, as is experience with specimen digitization, collections information systems and standards (e.g., Symbiota, Darwin Core, GBIF), georeferencing, and digital collection access management.

Application Process
Apply today at https://apply.interfolio.com/74178.

Please submit a (1) cover letter, (2) curriculum vitae, (3) statement of curatorial/collection management experience, (4) statement of teaching philosophy, experience, and interests including strategies currently used or planned to foster diversity and inclusion, as well as strategies for integrating use of the herbarium in teaching, and (5) names and contact information for three professional references. For full consideration, applications should be submitted by March 13, 2020. Review will continue until the position is filled.

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