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# The Fierce Green Fire

A Newsletter of the Wofford College Environmental Studies Program

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## *We Welcome Our First Goodall Visiting Fellow*

Hello fellow nature lovers! My name is Eric William Carroll and I'm the current Goodall Visiting Fellow, as well as a professor teaching photography in the art department. I moved to Asheville, NC last year after living in Minneapolis, MN and teaching at Macalester College for the past decade. The pandemic (and turning 40!) made me revisit my life's design and so I took what I call an "adjunct sabbatical" to re-immense myself in my artistic practice as a full-time artist.

I'm passionate about how photography has changed the way we experience and represent the world, especially as it applies to the landscape and our conception of truth. Just before the pandemic I finished a five-year project about scientists researching dark matter, which eventually was published as *"A Light Year of Lead."*

Since moving to the South, I've been exploring my environment through a

new body of work where I'm studying the forms of specific plant species over the course of the year. This work is cameraless and made using the historic cyanotype process, so the results are continually surprising and help describe some of the "quieter" aspects of these subjects. Most importantly, my work is made on-site, which means I get to work & play outside, study the light, and do trail work & restoration while my prints are exposing in the sunshine. I currently have a solo exhibition of this work at [EUQINOM Gallery](#) in San Francisco, CA.

I'm thrilled to be here at Wofford this fall & so excited to meet more faculty, students, and staff who share my interests. I'm especially interested in collaborating, so if you see me out at Glendale or on Wofford's campus staring at the shadow of a tree—please say hi!



## Upcoming Events and Opportunities

October 16<sup>th</sup>

1:30-4:30pm

Goodall Center, 351  
Broadway St, Glendale, SC  
29346

**11 Volunteers Needed:** Join the Glendale outreach interns for *Fall Family Fun* to help set up, lead a craft, and clean up after. This event will count as an outside event for ENVS students. Contact Sam, [cartersd@wofford.edu](mailto:cartersd@wofford.edu) or Emma, [suttonec@wofford.edu](mailto:suttonec@wofford.edu) by if interested.

October 18<sup>th</sup>

6:00pm

Chandler Center for  
Environmental Studies,  
Room 109

**Imagine a Day Without Water.** Hear from local water resource professionals as we learn about how water is protected from consumption to conservation. Light refreshments will be provided.

October 21<sup>st</sup>

1:00pm

Webinar

**University of Miami's Rosenstiel School of Marine, Atmospheric, and Earth Science Open House:** Prospective graduate students can [register](#) to learn more about the different research areas.

October 28<sup>th</sup>

Application Deadline

**Hiring student for Goodall Center Garden:** 3 - 5 hours per week helping Steve Patton. Duties will include basic garden tasks like planting and weeding, possibly some mowing and light construction. Eagerness to learn is more important than existing knowledge. If interested, please send Dr. Savage an email explaining your interest and if you have any experience. Availability Wednesday afternoons and/or Saturday mornings is preferred. Must have your own transportation. Pay is \$9/hour. Please feel free to pass the word to anyone you know who might be interested! The job is also posted on Handshake.

October 31<sup>st</sup>

Application Deadline

**South Carolina Wildlife Federation Scholarships:** Any full-time students (graduate and undergraduate) currently pursuing degrees in any environmental field at South Carolina schools of higher education are eligible to apply. \$500 scholarships will be announced in January and awarded in February.

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## PROFILE OF THE WEEK:

### *Goddard College – MA in Social Innovation and Sustainability*

Goddard College in Plainfield, Vermont offers a [MA in Social Innovation and Sustainability](#) that is a self-designed, interdisciplinary degree focusing on innovation and sustainability at the community level. The 48-credit Master of Arts program gives students a choice to focus on social innovation or sustainability or a combination of the two “to explore innovations that specifically contribute to promoting and advancing more sustainable and viable ways of living.”

The campus is committed to sustainable practices and in 2007 signed the *American Colleges and University Presidents' Climate Commitment* to be carbon neutral by 2020. Their efforts include reducing campus energy costs with solar energy, using food grown in the campus garden and locally, reducing waste by composting and recycling, and creating ride-share programs and providing campus bikes for student and employees.

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