On Saturday March 9th, some students in the ENVS senior seminar went on a field trip to Georgetown, SC. Leaving campus in packed vans, the seniors were ready to explore the marsh and roam historic Georgetown. Upon arrival they toured the Rice Museum which highlighted Georgetown’s history as the richest city in the south with video and a permanent collection of dioramas, maps, paintings, artifacts and other exhibits that tell the history of rice cultivation. After learning about the past, the students enjoyed the present with a tour of the Baruch Marine Field Laboratory. A shared research facility and lab, partnering USC, Clemson and other universities and agencies, provided Wofford students with a closer look inside. The North Inlet-Winyah Bay, an unique location with minimal anthropogenic disturbances to habitats and water quality, makes an ideal site for assessing climate change effects on coastal ecosystems. The lab supports education to improve management of marine and coastal resources. After the tour, the group was ankle deep in mud. Our guide pointed out important species in the ecosystem and showed us marsh grasses and a shell midden up close. After the marsh tour, the students washed off the remaining mud and made their way to their on-site lodging quarters. After a burrito bar dinner they settled into their cabins. The next morning, they made their way to Charleston, SC, where environmental artist Mary Edna Fraser met them in her studio. They listened to her talk passionately about her lifelong work with environmental conservation and protection through art. Being surrounded by her artwork and materials helped the students understand the monumental impact art can have on people. She stressed the importance of advocating for what we value and how art can become a tool for doing that. Mary Edna Fraser encouraged me to pursue what I want and to use my creativity to change the world. After a meaningful trip that combined the science and humanities sides of environmental studies, the group made its way back to Wofford. Being able to experience these activities and meet these professionals opened my eyes to new opportunities that we can pursue after graduation.
Upcoming Events and Opportunities

Follow the Goodall Center Instagram page.

**Greenville Soil and Water Spring/Summer 2024 Internship**: 10-20 hours/week at $15/hour. Internships begin in April and run through the end of summer. [Apply here](#).

**16th Annual Hazardous Household Waste Collection Event**: Spartanburg County residents can bring their household hazardous materials to be recycled. [See list of acceptable items](#).

**ENVS Guest Speaker Talk**: Andrew Dally will present *Leap Days: Making and Breaking Time with Poetry*.

**The Environmental Education Association of South Carolina** is seeking individuals or groups/organizations to present sessions during the 2024 Annual Conference, June 20-22, at USC Upstate. The theme is *Climate ResiliencEE: How to Save the Planet 2024*. [Learn more and submit your proposals](#).

**Second Saturdays Volunteer Day in Glendale**: Join us on the second Saturday of the month to help beautify the garden and surrounding areas at the Goodall Center. [Register here to let us know you’re coming](#).

**PALs Trail Stewardship Day**: This clean-up day will focus on beautifying the Mary H Wright Greenway Trail. [Sign up to participate](#).

**PROFILE OF THE WEEK:**

*CalPoly – Environmental Sciences and Management*

The MS Environmental Sciences and Management program at CalPoly – San Luis Obispo (CA) is wide-ranging, offering focus areas in Forest Science that study forest protection and diseases, wildland fire and forest ecology; Hydrology that emphasizes coursework in watershed management, groundwater resources, measurements, and contamination; Soil Science that studies soil morphology, pedology, fertility, ecology, and soil chemistry; Environmental Policy that provides coursework in governance, regulation, and policy on environmental topics; and Sustainability that focuses on promoting sustainable agriculture, and land and urban principals of sustainability. The program prepares graduate students for jobs in these areas or further study leading to a PhD at another institution.

Students have access to several thousand acres of agricultural, forest, and range lands. Upon graduation, students will also meet educational requirements for professional certification.

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