



**UNIVERSITY OF
GEORGIA**
Warnell School of Forestry
& Natural Resources

Position Announcement **Assistant/Associate Professor of Sustainability Sciences**

POSITION AND RESPONSIBILITIES: The Warnell School of Forestry and Natural Resources at the University of Georgia in Athens, GA invites applications for a tenure-track faculty position in Sustainability Sciences at the Assistant or Associate Professor level with research, instruction, and university and professional service expectations as part of a 9-month appointment. Successful candidates will be part of the Forestry and Forest Biology faculty groups but will potentially cut across multiple disciplines, and will be expected to establish interdisciplinary collaborations in teaching and research with faculty in the Warnell School and across campus. Multiple centers and institutes in Warnell and across campus provide excellent foundations for these collaborations including the Center for Forest Business, the UGA Office of Sustainability, the Center for Integrative Conservation Research, the Climate and Society Initiative, and more. Individuals with expertise in the following academic areas relative to forest and natural resource management are encouraged to apply: sustainable forest management, forest certification, ecosystem services, carbon accounting, bioenergy, nature-based climate solutions, policy analysis, or sustainable development.

Research responsibilities include development of an externally funded, nationally/internationally recognized program of scholarship on themes relevant to sustainability sciences, defined as use-inspired sciences focused on meeting present and future needs while protecting the earth's life support systems. Teaching duties include undergraduate and graduate student advising and teaching courses on sustainable forest management, sustainable development, research proposal development, or other relevant topics. Coursework delivery will be a combination of in-person, hybrid, and/or online. Professional service includes serving on School/University committees and actively participating in professional/scientific societies.

This position is part of a cluster hire in the general area of sustainable forestry. There will be an opportunity to collaborate with new hires in sustainability, forest biomaterials, and precision forestry. For more information on these opportunities, follow this link: <https://warnell.uga.edu/careers>.

QUALIFICATIONS: Required qualifications include a Ph.D. in forestry, natural resources, or a closely related field with expertise in the academic areas listed above. Preferred qualifications include prior research or practical engagement (e.g., postdoctoral work) in applied sustainability efforts relevant to Warnell's core areas of research and teaching.

ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS: Appointment to Associate Professor requires a record consistent with promotion to Associate Professor at the Warnell School such as strong evidence of emerging stature as a regional/national authority, acquiring and administering external funding, ability to produce and communicate research, and excellence in teaching and working with students. Service at the Associate Professor level for 1-2 years is preferred for this rank.

THE UNIVERSITY: The University of Georgia (www.uga.edu) is a top 20 ranked public land/sea/space grant institution comprised of 18 schools and colleges and designated as a Carnegie Very High Research Activity (R1) institution with strong community engagement. Athens is a diverse community of approximately 150,000 people located less than 75 miles from Atlanta. UGA enrolls approximately 41,200 undergraduate, graduate, and professional students. The Warnell School of Forestry and Natural Resources is a professional school with world-class research, teaching, and outreach programs in natural resources conservation and is committed to inclusive excellence. The Warnell School is comprised of 68 faculty, 100 support staff, 265 undergraduates, and 240 graduate students (www.warnell.uga.edu). The school offers Bachelor of Science, Master of Forest Resources, Master of Natural Resources, Master of Science, and Doctor of Philosophy degrees in the areas of Forestry; Fisheries & Wildlife; Parks, Recreation & Tourism Management; and Natural Resource Management & Sustainability. The school manages over 17,000 acres of forestland across the state in support of its teaching, outreach, and research missions.

APPLICATION: Review of applications will begin on Friday, November 15, 2024. All applicants MUST apply online through UGAJobs (<https://www.ugajobsearch.com/postings/401238>). Candidates must submit a cover letter, CV, one-page statements of both teaching and research interests, unofficial transcripts of all college-level work, and names and contact information for three references. The candidate given an offer will be required to submit official college transcripts. University policy requires all candidates to consent to and authorize a background investigation (www.hr.uga.edu). A background investigation and request of official transcripts will be conducted on a post-offer/pre-employment basis only. The preferred starting date is negotiable but no later than August 1, 2025. For additional information contact the chair of the search committee, Dr. Jesse Abrams (Jesse.Abrams@uga.edu).

The University of Georgia is an Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action employer. All qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, religion, sex, national origin, ethnicity, age, genetic information, disability, gender identity, sexual orientation or protected veteran status. Persons needing accommodations or assistance with the accessibility of materials related to this search are encouraged to contact Central HR (hrweb@uga.edu). Please do not contact the department or search committee with such requests.