

PRIEST, Jeffrey M., Ph.D.
Dean, School of Education
Year Hired 2001
Professor, Biology
Year Hired 1988

Academic Degrees

Ph.D. Southern Illinois University 1986 Zoology/Wildlife Ecology
M.S. Florida Institute of Technology 1982 Science Education/Biology
B.S. Florida Institute of Technology 1980 Biology

Professional Experience

2001-Present University of South Carolina Aiken Dean School of Education
1998-2003 South Carolina Statewide Systemic Initiative Associate Director
1988-2001 University of South Carolina Aiken Director Ruth Patrick Science Education Center
1999-Present University of South Carolina Aiken Professor Biology
1993-1999 University of South Carolina Aiken Associate Professor Biology
1988-1993 University of South Carolina Aiken Assistant Professor Biology
1986-1988 Florida Game and Freshwater Fish Commission Non-game Education Specialist

Faculty and Administrative Load

Fall 2008

Dean, School of Education
AEDL 432 Teaching Science in the Elementary School 3 Semester hours
AEDL 432P Practicum Teaching Science in the Elementary School 1 Semester hour

Spring 2008

Dean, School of Education
AEDL 470 Internship (Elementary)
AEDE 469 Internship (Early Childhood)

Fall 2007

Dean, School of Education

Spring 2007

Dean, School of Education
AEDE 469 Internship (Early Childhood)

Fall 2006

Dean, School of Education
ABIO 399 Senior Research 3 Semester hours

Spring 2006

Head, School of Education
AEDS 476 Senior Seminar (Secondary Education)

AEDX 476 Senior Seminar (Special Education)

Fall 2005

Head, School of Education

AEDL 432 Teaching Science in the Elementary School 3 Semester hours

AEDL 432P Practicum Teaching Science in the Elementary School 1 Semester hour

Supervised 2 Student Teachers (AEDL 470) 1.5 Semester hours

ABIO 499 Senior Research (supervised 2 Biology Senior Research projects) 3 Semester hours

Spring 2005

Head School of Education

AEDS 476 Senior Seminar 3 Semester hours

ABIO 499 Senior Research 3 Semester hours

Fall 2004

Head School of Education

AEDL 432 Teaching Science in the Elementary School 3 Semester hours

AEDL 432P Practicum Teaching Science in the Elementary School 1 Semester hour

Spring 2004

Head School of Education

AELE 615 Advanced Studies of Science Methods in the Elementary School 3 Semester hours

BIOL 772A Local Ecology for Teachers 3 Semester hours

Fall 2003

Head School of Education

AEDL 445 Classroom Assessment 3 semester hours

University Service

2007-2008 Academic School Year

Academic Council, RPSEC Advisory Board, Dean's Council, M.Ed. Elementary Education
Portfolio Reviewer, EVCAA Research Grant Committee, One Carolina, Master Planning
Committee, Research Opportunity Program grant reviewer (USC)

2006-2007 Academic School Year

Academic Council, RPSEC Advisory Board, Dean's Council, M.Ed. Elementary Education
Portfolio Reviewer, Music Search Committee, Research Opportunity Program grant
reviewer (USC)

2005-2006 Academic School Year

Academic Council, RPSEC Advisory Board, Dean's Council, M.Ed. Elementary Education
Portfolio Reviewer, Search Committee (Special Education)

Other Service

2005-2006 Academic School Year

NCATE Board of Examiners, SC DoEd PACE Advisory Board, EPA Proposal Reviewer, ADEPT Higher Education Review Committee, Aiken County Public School EEDA Committee, SC DoEd Induction Year Task Force, Hitchcock Woods Wildlife Committee, Board of Directors-SC Center for Educator Recruitment, Retention, & Advancement, SC DoEd Teacher of the Year Selection Committee

2004-2005 Academic School Year

School Improvement Council North Aiken Elementary School, NCATE Board of Examiners, PACE Advisory Board, EPA Proposal Reviewer, ADEPT Higher Education Review Committee

2003-2004 Academic School Year

CNTA Board of Directors, School Improvement Council North Aiken Elementary School, NCATE Board of Examiners

Current Professional and Academic Association Memberships

American Society of Mammalogists
American Association of Colleges of Teacher Education
American Association of Teacher Educators
South Carolina Association of Teacher Educators
Phi Delta Kappa
Wildlife Society

Current Professional Assignments and Activities

Board of Directors, South Carolina Center for Educator Recruitment, Retention, & Advancement, 2005-present, Chair 2008-2009
South Carolina Dept. of Ed. ADEPT Review Committee, 2005-present
South Carolina Dept. of Ed. State NCATE Board of Examiners, 2003-present
South Carolina Dept. of Ed. PACE Advisory Committee, 2004- present
NCATE National Board of Examiners, 2003-present
Proposal Reviewer, Environmental Protection Agency, 2002-Present
Mentor, National Science Education Leadership Academy, 2000-Present

Publications

Priest, J.M. (2001). "Ruth Patrick", pp. 220-224 in *Environmental Activists*, Greenwood Publishing Group Inc., 2001.
Priest, J.M. (1995). *National Science Standards...Who Cares?* Ecology 101, Ecology. Vol 76, No. 1 March 1995.
Senn, G.J. & J.M. Priest (1993). *Computer Technology for Elementary and Middle Schools*. Proceedings of the 26th Annual Conference of the Association of Small Computer Users in Education, Myrtle Beach, SC.
Priest, J. M. and G. Johnson (1990). *Community SEED Blooms*. Science and Children 27(6): 42.
Priest, J. M. (1982). *Florida's Wilderness and Wildlife: Progress Through Management and Public Awareness*. Florida Association Science Teachers Journal. 6(3): 12-14.

Professional Presentations

- Priest, J.M. and Johnson, G. 2008 "Failure and Success of a PDS in a Rural, Low-Socioeconomic, Low Performing School District" 2008 National Association of Professional Development Schools National Conference, Orlando, FL, May 13, 2008.
- Johnson, G.B., Priest, J.M., Kitchings, J., Sease, A, Kennedy, D and Allen, G. 2007. "Partnering for Higher Students Achievement and Teacher Retention: Decreasing the K-12 Dropout Rate by Improving Student Success", First Annual Civic Learning Conference Committee, Coastal Carolina University, Conway, SC, May 11, 2007
- Priest, J.M. (2000). "Allendale County Public Schools Professional Development Guide", South Carolina School Board Association, Myrtle Beach, SC October 23, 2000
- Priest, J.M. (2000). "Status of Science Education in South Carolina", South Carolina Middle School Summit Conference, Charleston, SC August 1, 2000
- Priest, J.M. (1998). "Plants of Hitchcock Woods", Environmental Educators Association of South Carolina, 3-hour workshop/walk, Aiken, SC March 3, 1998
- Priest, J.M. (1996). "Role of Science Education Centers in the K-12 Arena, Southeastern Association of Physics Teachers Conference, Charleston, SC April 13, 1996
(37 other presentations/short courses/workshops from 1981 - 1995)

Awards/Honors

- Governor's Award for Excellence in Science Awareness, 2001
- Cohort 2 Participant in the National Science Education Leadership Academy, 1999-2000
- South Carolina Science Council/South Carolina Hall of Science and Technology Helms Citation of Excellence Award, 1996
- South Carolina Board of Education Award for significant contributions to public schools, 1989.
- Outstanding Young Man of the Year Award, 1988.
- National Wildlife Federation Environmental Conservation Fellow, 1985.
- Southern Illinois University Research Dissertation Award, 1985.
- Phi Kappa Phi, 1985.
- Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges, 1981
- International Youth in Achievement, 1981

Grants received

- PI, 2008 Advanced Placement Institutes: Biology, Chemistry, English Literature, Spanish, SC Dept. of Ed., 2008, \$63,361
- PI, 2008 EEDA Assessment Implementation Project, South Carolina Commission on Higher Education, 2008. \$30,000
- PI, 2007 Advanced Placement Institutes: Biology, Chemistry, English Literature, Spanish, SC Dept. of Ed., 2007, \$55,420
- PI, 2006 Advanced Placement Biology and Chemistry Teacher Institutes, SC Dept. of Ed., 2006, \$37,539
- PI, 2006 Advanced Placement English Literature, Spanish, US History, US Government Institutes, SC Dept. of Ed., 2006, \$72,584
- PI, K-12 Enhancement Fund Evaluation Project, SC Dept. of Ed., 2005, \$9,988
- PI, 2005 Advanced Placement Teacher Institutes, SC Dept. of Ed., 2005, \$48,227
- PI, 2004 Advanced Placement Teacher Institutes, SC Dept. of Ed., 2004, \$42,894
- PI, 2004 Advanced Placement Teacher Institutes Follow-up, SC Dept. of Ed., 2004, \$4,506

Grants received continued

PI, Under-represented Populations Learning in Natures Kindergarten (UPLINK), Environmental Protection Agency, 2003-2004, \$69,920

PI, NRSMEEP-Audubon Partnership, National Audubon Society, 2003-2004, \$25,000

PI, Center of Excellence in Advancing Rural, Under-Performing Schools (CEARUPS), SC Commission on Higher Education, 2003-2008, \$622,999

(35 grants between 1988-2003 totaling \$14,833,957)

Teaching Experience at USCA

SMED 510 - Life Science Institute

USCA Summer II 1989

USCA Spring 1998

SMED 705 - Making Science and Mathematics Fun for Elementary School Teachers

USCA Summer I 1988

USCA Summer I 1989

USCA Fall 1989

USCA Summer I 1990

USCA Fall 1992

USCA Spring 1994

McDuffie Spring 1994

AEDE 469 – Internship in Early Childhood

USCA Spring 2008 – Supervised one intern

AEDL 432 – Teaching Science in the Elementary School

USCA Fall 2004

USCA Fall 2005

USCA Fall 2006

USCA Fall 2008

AEDL 432P – Practicum in Teaching Science in the Elementary School

USCA Fall 2004

USCA Fall 2005

USCA Fall 2006

AEDL 445 – Classroom Assessment

USCA Fall 2003

AEDS 476 – Senior Seminar

USCA Spring 2005

USCA Spring 2006

Teaching Experience at USCA continued

AEDL 470 – Internship in the Elementary School

USCA Fall 2005 – Supervised one intern
USCA Fall 2006 – Supervised one intern
USCA Spring 2008 – Supervised one intern

AELE 515 – Advanced Studies of Science Methods for the Elementary School

USCA Spring 2000

AELE 615 - Advanced Studies of Science Methods for the Elementary School

USCA Spring 2001
USCA Spring 2004
USCA Fall 2006

EDEL 515 - Teaching Science at the Elementary School Level

USCA Spring 1992
Salkahatchee Spring 1992
Salkahatchee Fall 1992

EDUC 633 - Teaching Science and Mathematics in the 21st Century

USCA Summer 1995
USCA Summer 1996
USCA Summer 1997

EDUC 634F - Science Methods

USCA Summer I 1988
USCA Summer I 1989
USCA Fall 1989
USCA Summer I 1990

EDTE 701 - Selected Topics in Science Teaching

USCA Summer 1995

BIO 772A - Local Ecology

USCA Fall 1988
USCA Spring 1990
USCA Spring 1991
USCA Spring 1992
USCA Spring 1993
USCA Spring 1994
USCA Spring 1995
USCA Spring 1996
USCA Spring 1997
USCA Spring 1999
USCA Spring 2001
USCA Spring 2004

Teaching Experience at USCA continued

BIO 772B - Ecology of the Everglades

USCA Fall 1988

BIO 772C - Ecological Field Techniques

USCA Summer II 1989

BIO 772D - Ecology of the Southern Appalachians for Teachers

USCA Spring 1990

USCA Spring 1991

USCA Spring 1993

USCA Spring 1995

USCA Spring 1997

BIO 772E - Tropical Biology

USCA Summer 1991

BIO 772F - Ecology of the Rocky Mountains

USCA Summer 1992

BIO 772G - Ecology of the Desert Southwest

USCA Summer 1994

BIO 772I - Ecology of Alaska

USCA Summer 1996

BIO 772J - Ecology of Hawaiian Islands

USCA Summer 1997

BIO 772K - Ecology of National Parks of Kenya

USCA Summer 1999

ABIO 110 - General Biology

USCA Spring 1996

USCA Fall 1996

USCA Fall 1997

USCA Fall 1998

ABIO 399 - Independent Study

USCA Spring 1990

USCA Spring 1990

USCA Fall 2006

Teaching Experience at USCA continued

ABIO 499 - Independent Study

USCA	Spring 1997
USCA	Spring 2001
USCA	Spring 2005
USCA	Fall 2005
USCA	Spring 2006

ABIO 598 - Ecology of the Southern Appalachians

USCA	Spring 1991
USCA	Spring 1992
USCA	Spring 1993
USCA	Spring 1994
USCA	Spring 1995
USCA	Spring 1996
USCA	Spring 1997
USCA	Spring 1998

ABIO 571- Ecology of the Southern Appalachians

USCA	Spring 2000
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