Faculty from the Biology Department are vital to the success of our students through teaching, advising, serving on committees, and by providing general support, motivation, and enrichment opportunities. Located in the nearby Rita Hollings Science Center, the Biology Department often shares lab and classroom space with our students.

**DR. MELISSA HUGHES**

Dr. Hughes is an active advisor for our students, particularly those interested in ornithology. Her research interests focus on the relationship between signal form and function.

**DR. SETH PRITCHARD**

Dr. Pritchard currently serves as the Department Chair for the Biology Department. He serves as an advisor to our students and focuses his research on sustainable agriculture, forest function, and hydroponics.

**DR. ERIC McELROY**

Dr. McElroy is an active advisor to our students, focusing on projects related to South Carolina lizards. His research interests include animal performance and morphology.

**DR. MATT RUTTER**

Dr. Rutter previously taught Environmental Biology. He is currently the Academic Director of Stono Preserve where he collaborates with our students involved in the Sustainable Agriculture initiative.

**DR. DANIEL MCGLINN**

Dr. McGlinn teaches Statistical Programming in R. He is an active advisor and committee member for our students. His research interests include ecological communities and structures.

**DR. COURTNEY MURREN**

Dr. Murren teaches the core science course Environmental Biology and the elective Plant Ecology. She is a current advisor to our students, particularly on projects focused on plant genetics.

**DR. ALLISON WELCH**

Dr. Welch is the Director of the Environmental and Sustainability Studies minor and interacts frequently with our office. She serves as an advisor and committee member to our students.

**DR. ALLAN STRAND**

Dr. Strand teaches one of our statistics courses, Biometry. He is an active advisor to our students and focuses his research on evolutionary biology and population genetics.

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