

SC SUSTAINABLE FORESTRY TEACHERS' TOUR

Teaching Sustainable Forestry in Environmental Education

COURSE DESCRIPTION: Spend five days learning about the original “Green Industry” in our state -- forestry! Tour the forests and forest industry of South Carolina, examine sustainable forestry practices and learn practical classroom applications. This outdoor environmental education course is designed to provide an unbiased look into the impact forests have on our state’s environment, economy, and quality of life. Key topics include sustainable forest management, ecosystem management, and bio-diversity; wildlife conservation and endangered species protection; forest product harvesting, processing, and manufacturing; and contributions of the forest industry to SC’s economy. Classes include tours of private and public forestlands, lumber, paper and other wood product mills, along with cultural events highlighting the history of South Carolina’s land use. Participants will receive resource materials to use in their classrooms, training in Environmental Education, and learn how to use the environment and forests to teach the Curriculum Standards in science, social studies, language arts and math.

WHEN AND WHERE

- The 5-day Tour will be held June 17-21, 2019 [Monday - Friday] in Hartsville and surrounding areas.
- Teachers’ Tour sponsors provide all meals, lodging (double occupancy), materials, t-shirt, and transportation **during the Tour** for free.
- Participants must provide their own transportation to and from Hartsville.

ELIGIBILITY

1. All applications will be considered.
2. Interested educators must complete an application and submit it by the deadline of April 15, 2019.
3. Priority will be given to full-time certified K–12 teachers with interest in environmental studies, life sciences, biology, tech-prep, and/or natural resource education.
4. Successful applicants will be notified by May 1, 2019 for applications received by April 15, 2019. Due to the large number of applicants, participants should submit applications early. Call 803/798-4170 concerning late applications.
5. Tour is limited to 35 participants.

NOTE: Registration for the 3-hour graduate course through the College of Charleston requires approval of this Application for enrollment.

REQUIREMENTS

- Completion of pre-Tour online modules through the College of Charleston **is mandatory**. Modules will be available June 4, 2019 and require approximately 14 hours to complete. **All modules must be completed by June 12, 2019.**
- Must be available to participate in a five-day course with overnight stay and travel. Individual participation only - spouses and/or children, etc. not permitted.
- Must participate in all activities including walking and hiking. Be prepared for summer temperatures, insects, etc.
- Must have ability to disseminate information learned to schools, community and professional associations.

COST AND ADMISSION

- Three-hours of non-degree graduate credit through the College of Charleston requires a registration fee of \$150 upon acceptance into the Tour. (Attendance at all 5 days of the event and additional online work is required for credit.) Additional fees for online registration (\$5) and transcripts (\$12) may apply.
- Late applications cannot be accepted after May 25, 2019 due to College of Charleston registration deadline.

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APPLICATION

June 17-21, 2019

Application due April 15, 2019. Earlier applicants may receive early admittance.

PART ONE

PLEASE PRINT

YOUR INFORMATION

Full Name: _____ Maiden Name: _____

Preferred Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Daytime Telephone: (____) _____ Email: _____

Male [] Female []

Adult t-shirt size (REQUIRED: circle one): S M L XL 2X 3X (Group photo will be taken with Teachers' Tour t-shirts.)

SCHOOL INFORMATION

School Name: _____ Work Email: _____

School Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____ County: _____

School Telephone: (____) _____ School Fax: (____) _____

Grade(s) Taught: _____ Subject(s) _____

Certified Teacher? Yes [] No []

Extracurricular teacher/school activities in which you participate; honors, awards and achievements:

How did you learn about the Teachers' Tour? _____

PART TWO

On a separate sheet of paper, write a narrative (one page only) answering the following and include with this application:

1. Why do you wish to participate in the Teachers' Tour?
2. How will you use the information you will receive when you return to your classroom?

Please initial below:

_____ I understand I will be taking the 5-day course for 3-hours GRADUATE CREDIT through the College of Charleston.
I will be required to pay a \$150 registration fee to the College of Charleston. **Do not send money at this time.**

Please indicate special needs you may have: _____

RETURN TO:

SC Forestry Foundation, Attention: SCTT Application, 4901 Broad River Rd., Columbia, SC 29212
FAX: 803/798-2340, E-mail: gsabin@scforestry.org, Phone: 803/798-4170