

FACULTY PRINCIPAL FOR GREEN QUAD

The University of South Carolina announces the search for a creative Faculty Principal for the Green Quad, the University's sustainability-focused living-learning community. The Faculty Principal has the opportunity to create a challenging and innovative educational experience in support of the Green Quad's mission of "promoting collaborative relationships among students, faculty, staff, and community members for exploring and implementing the changes required to create a sustainable society." It is expected that the position of Faculty Principal will be filled by a faculty member from the USC-Columbia campus.

Supported by the Office of the Provost, the Division of Student Affairs, and Sustainable Carolina's Green Quad Community Education Team, the Principal's duties include: providing leadership for the intellectual life of the Green Quad (linking student experiences to courses and programs, USC Connect, Common Courses, Sustainable Carolina, etc.); developing educational programming; shaping responsible citizens through the green leadership program; advancing students' learning through facilitating/promoting interactions with faculty; supporting the Green Learning Community; and connecting students to the community.

As an integral part of Sustainable Carolina, the Green Quad is a crucial component of the University's sustainability programming, and the Faculty Principal will have support from and be able to collaborate with a broad range of faculty, staff, and students. The Faculty Principal serves as a member of the Coordinating Council of Sustainable Carolina and collaborates with the Office of Sustainability and the Environment and Sustainability Program. The Green Quad was the first LEED-certified building on campus and houses 500 undergraduates, who represent a cross-section of the undergraduate student population. The Learning Center for Sustainable Futures is also part of the Green Quad, which provides exceptional facilities for offices, classes, and events.

The ideal candidate will have:

- faculty status on the USC-Columbia campus (tenured faculty preferred);
- a strong record of teaching and scholarship;
- demonstrated commitment to excellence and innovation in undergraduate education;
- experience with sustainability-related issues and programs; and
- organizational and administrative skills.

The Principal will be appointed for a three-year term. Similar to Faculty Principal positions for other residential communities (Capstone Scholars, Preston College, and Carolina International House at Maxcy College), the position is half-time, with an academic year salary supplement, possible half-time or quarter-time summer support, and an operating budget. These and other issues will be negotiated with the Provost.

Nominations, applications, and queries are welcome. It is expected that the appointment will begin January, 2013. Please direct questions or send letters of nomination or application (including vita, brief statement of interest, and names of three references) to Helen Doerpinghaus, Vice Provost and Dean for Undergraduate Education. The search committee will begin to review files of candidates on March 15, 2012. The search will continue until the position is filled.

The University of South Carolina is an equal opportunity employer and specifically invites and encourages applications from women and minorities.