

Environmental seminar to focus on artificial nesting sites for turtles

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Fred Beaudry, assistant professor of environmental studies at Alfred University, will host the next Environmental Studies Seminar at Alfred University with a discussion titled, "Artificial Nesting Sites: A Good Idea for Endangered Freshwater Turtles?" The lecture will take place on Friday Sept. 10, at 12:20 p.m. in Roon Lecture Hall (Room 247), the Science Center, on the Alfred University Campus. The public is invited; admission is free. Beaudry holds a bachelor of science degree in biology from the University du Quebec a Rimouski; a master of science degree in natural resources from Humboldt State University, Arcata, Calif.; and a Ph.D. in wildlife ecology from the University of Maine. He worked as a wildlife biologist on variety of species in Oregon, New Mexico, and California. His thesis work was on the population ecology of a songbird endemic to an island off the California coast, and his dissertation work was a study of the road mortality risk faced by turtle populations in Maine. Beaudry recently completed his post-doctoral work on regional scale conservation planning at the University of Wisconsin-Madison. The Environmental Studies Seminar series at Alfred University is held every Friday during the fall semester when the University is in session. Sponsored by the Division of Environmental Studies within Alfred University's School of Liberal Arts and Sciences, the series brings a range of speakers to the campus, including scientists, activists, and policy-makers, with the mission to better understand our environment and what we can do better to sustain our world.