

Endangered Species Act to be discussed at next environmental forum

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Tim Bassette, environmental biologist, will conduct Alfred University's next and final Environmental Studies Speakers Series seminar for the semester on Friday, Nov. 21, at 12:20 p.m. in Roon Lecture Hall, the Science Center. Bassette, an AU alumnus, will talk on the "Environmental Species Act and the Federally Threatened Plant Dwarf-flowered Heartleaf (*Hexastylis naniflora*)." The program is open to the public free of charge. Bassette earned a bachelor of arts degree in environmental studies and biology from Alfred University and a master of science degree in environmental science from Indiana University-Bloomington. His focus throughout college was in hazardous materials and water resources. He has had numerous jobs in the environmental field working with Recra Environmental, Inc.; Environmental Audits, Inc.; and Booz Allen & Hamilton, Inc. In 2003, he began his "dream job" as an environmental biologist with the North Carolina Department of Transportation, in Raleigh, NC. Bassette is a program consultant in the Natural Environment Unit-Biological Surveys Group. The popular Environmental Studies Seminar series 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 College of Liberal Arts & Sciences, the series brings a range of speakers to the campus, including scientists, activists, and policy-makers, helping us to better understand our environment and what we can do to better sustain our world.