

About the Department/College

The School of Forestry (SoF) has 21 faculty (tenure-, teaching- and research-track) administering an SAF-accredited Forestry BS degree plus an active graduate research program in forestry (including an online MF, an in-person MF, and MS and PhD degrees). Our well-equipped facility jointly houses the School of Forestry, the Ecological Restoration Institute, Centennial Forest (education and research forest), and shares space with the USDA Forest Service, including Rocky Mountain Research Station, Forest Health Protection, and other agency staff.

About the Position

The School of Forestry at Northern Arizona University invites applications for the position of Assistant Professor of Forest Ecology & Management. This position is a 9-month, tenure-eligible appointment (40-50% Teaching, 40-50% Research, 10% Service).

We seek an applicant with expertise in forestry, forest/rangeland ecology, and/or forest and natural resource management, broadly defined, whose interests will support, build, and complement the School of Forestry's and NAU's programs in these and related areas. The successful applicant will be expected to teach courses in support of our undergraduate and graduate forestry programs, develop a productive, externally funded research program, advise graduate students (MF, MS, and PhD), and serve the School of Forestry, Northern Arizona University, and the profession.

The anticipated start date for this position is August 17th, 2026.

Responsibilities Include

- Teach in-person and online courses on our Flagstaff Mountain campus in support of our undergraduate and graduate forestry programs.
- Teaching responsibilities and opportunities include the broad scope of forest ecology, disturbance ecology, forest management, and other forestry-related courses.
- Develop a productive, externally funded research program focused on challenges related to forest adaptation to climate change, accelerating post-fire recovery, managing carbon, implementing forest management strategies, and restoring landscapes at scale faced by the state of AZ and the western United States and other regions more broadly.
- Advise graduate students (MF, MS, and PhD).
- Serve on committees in the School of Forestry, the College of Forestry, Environment, and Natural Sciences, and NAU and/or serve as student club advisor.
- Provide service to the broader forestry profession.

Questions about the position can be directed to Kristen Waring, Kristen.waring@nau.edu.