

David Smith from the Smith College, USA: Semester 1 2019

Where have you come from, and what do you teach?

I grew up in Virginia, received my undergraduate degree in Biology at the University of Virginia, a masters in Marine Science at the University of South Carolina, and my PhD in Zoology at the University of Maryland. I have been teaching at Smith College, a liberal arts women's college in western Massachusetts, since 2001. Prior to that I taught at Northeastern University and, before that, conducted postdoctoral research at the Smithsonian Environmental Research Center in Maryland, Williams-Mystic Maritime Studies Program, and Bamfield Marine Station on Vancouver Island, Canada.

At Smith, I teach one of the introductory courses (Biodiversity, Ecology and Conservation) for the Biological Sciences major, a 200-level lecture and lab in Invertebrate Diversity, and an upper-level seminar in conservation biology. I am also a member of Smith's Environmental Science and Policy Program and regularly teach the senior

