

Erica Kosal
SENCER Leadership Fellow

Biosketch

Dr. Erica Kosal is an Associate Professor of Biology and Chair of the Mathematics and Sciences Division at North Carolina Wesleyan College. Dr. Kosal held the Jefferson-Pilot Professorship during the 2004-2005 academic year, the highest award given to a faculty member. She also won the Exemplary Teaching Award for the 2001-2002 academic year.

In the classroom, Erica uses a variety of teaching pedagogies, such as case studies, small group work and civic engagement. Dr. Kosal researches how student learning preferences are influenced by teaching pedagogies. Erica also works with students working on year-long research projects in areas focused on environmental interactions (such as how stress affects animal behavior).

Dr. Kosal graduated from North Carolina State University with her Doctorate of Philosophy in Zoology. Erica also earned a Master of Science degree from NC State University in Ecology and a Bachelor of Science degree in Zoology from Michigan State University.