

Christopher Cratsley



Dr. Christopher Cratsley is the Director of Assessment at Fitchburg State University. He served as a Professor of Biology, interim Department Chair of Biology and Chemistry and Graduate Program Chair for Biology and Science Education before taking on his current role. Dr. Cratsley received his Bachelor's degree in Biology from Brown University and completed their Undergraduate Teacher Education Program. He taught public High School and Middle School Science for 3 years before completing his doctoral degree in Biology at Tufts University. Upon completing his doctoral work, Dr. Cratsley was hired by Fitchburg State University to teach Biology and oversee the preparation of teacher candidates in Biology. He has been co-Principal Investigator on two National Science Foundation grants, one focusing on Collaborative Research at an Undergraduate Institution and the other on Advancing Technological Education with the Boston Museum of Science. He has also been co-director of two Massachusetts Board of Higher Education Improving Teacher Quality grants providing professional development in the Sciences for in-service teachers. He is currently serving as co-director of the Fitchburg State and Mount Wachusett Community College AAC&U Quality Collaboratives Dyad to explore student learning in the context of transfer articulation between two and four year institutions.