

Tim Schmalz

As a lifelong resident of University City, I care very much about maintaining and enhancing some of the unique and special qualities of my community. I have an amazing and most tolerant wife and two energetic and too-smart-for-their-own-good children: Cara (3) and Milo (1). We enjoy spending time exploring some of the (free) sites in and around St. Louis, but also travelling farther afield as far and as often as our budget will allow. I am interested in cooking, travelling, and pretending to be an urban homesteader.

I am a biologist by training and educator by practice with master's degrees in biology, zoology, and science education. I am currently pursuing a doctorate in STEM education enrichment at UMSL and expect to be done in the spring of 2020. I hope to be teaching life science and science education to university students once I am done with my degree and my children are attending school. I see education (formal, informal, and continuing) as being key components to self-improvement, well-being, and making a better society for all. I hope that my efforts as part of the MU Extension Council will improve the quality of life for people in University City, as well as St. Louis County by connecting people with opportunities that otherwise would remain unknown or out-of-reach.