

Georgia Sea Grant to Coordinate Studies on Climate-Induced Population Shifts



PEOPLE ON THE MOVE IN A CHANGING CLIMATE

Georgia Sea Grant, in partnership with 12 other Sea Grant programs, was awarded a \$500,000 grant from the [National Science Foundation CoPe program](#) to study human displacement and relocation caused by climate change, and the societal and economic implications of such population shifts. The newly formed research coordination network hopes to increase community participation in climate research and adaptation studies conducted in regions that have been identified as vulnerable.

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Sea Grant Participates in Aquaculture America 2020

On February 9-12, Sea Grant aquaculture professionals presented their research and engaged in discussion as part of the Aquaculture America conference in Honolulu, HI. In addition to an exhibitor booth by the National Sea Grant Office, Sea Grant's work was featured in 29 presentations.

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Sea Grant Makes Waves at Ocean Sciences 2020

Sea Grant professionals and partners engaged in a variety of events for Ocean Sciences Meeting, taking place in San Diego, CA from February 16-21. Sea Grant Programs led a town hall, sessions, posters and talks related to education, fellowships, partnerships, workforce development and topical research areas.

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California Sea Grant Launches Commercial Fishing Apprenticeship Program

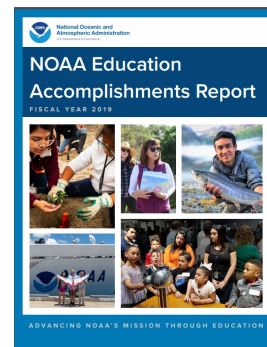
California Sea Grant's new California Commercial Fishing Apprenticeship Program teaches the knowledge and skills to begin a career in commercial fishing in the 21st century. The first cohort of apprentices recently completed their initial workshops and trainings, and will now progress to their on-the-job training.

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Illinois-Indiana Sea Grant Featured in 2019 NOAA Education Annual Report

The NOAA Education Accomplishments Report for 2019 featured an initiative from Illinois-Indiana Sea Grant in the category of Conservation & Stewardship. This initiative was related to rainscaping education.

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Development of Coastal Version for Minnesota Sea Grant's Watershed Game

Mississippi-Alabama Sea Grant, in coordination with Sea Grant programs in Minnesota, Louisiana and Georgia, conducted the second pilot test for the coastal version of the Watershed Game. Game participants learn about land-use planning, best practices and policies that can help them reach a clean water goal. The first pilot test occurred in New Orleans. The team plans to do future tests in Georgia and Florida.

[Learn about the original Watershed Game and development of the coastal version](#)

NSGO Welcomes New Staff and 2020 Knauss Fellows

The National Office welcomed Hallee Meltzer as the new Communications Specialist, in January. As the Knauss 2020 class began their positions in February, Maggie Chory joined Sea Grant as the Socioeconomic Specialist and Emily Horton joined Sea Grant as the Partnership Specialist.

[Learn more about our new staff](#)



Funding and Career Opportunities

[Sea Grant Career Opportunities:](#) Sea Grant has several job openings across the country, including Coastal Dune Restoration & Management Coordinator at Hawai'i Sea Grant, Great Lakes Fisheries and Ecosystem Health Specialist Extension Associate at New York Sea Grant and Science Management and Policy Internship at Maryland Sea Grant.

[Sea Grant Aquaculture: Addressing Economic and Market Needs of the U.S. Aquaculture Industry](#) Subject to the availability of funding, Sea Grant anticipates approximately \$5,000,000 will be available for research projects and programs that will significantly advance the understanding of the economics of aquaculture businesses in the U.S. and address gaps regarding important market information. The overall goal is to advance business management towards development of a sustainable marine and Great Lakes aquaculture industry in the U.S. All proposals to this competition must be submitted by a Sea Grant program. Other interested entities must submit proposals in partnership with and through a relevant Sea Grant Program. Notices of intent to submit are due February 26, 2020. Full proposals are due April 22, 2020.

[Sea Grant American Lobster Research Program](#) This program will support research to address critical gaps in knowledge about how the American Lobster and its fishery is being impacted by environmental change. It is informed by listening sessions with regional fishing industry stakeholders, state and federal fisheries managers, and university, state and federal fisheries researchers. Applications are due March 19, 2020.

[NFWF Fishing for Energy Partnership 2020 Request for Proposals](#) This competition provides up to \$500,000 in grant funding to support strategies that reduce the impacts of derelict fishing gear on marine and coastal environments and navigational safety. The deadline for full proposals is Tuesday, March 31, 2020.

[Sea Grant Support of Workshops and Meetings](#) The National Sea Grant Office (NSGO) anticipates that up to \$60,000 in FY 2020 Federal Funds will be available to individual Sea Grant Programs in order to support activities at workshops, conferences or professional meetings that are directly in support of each Program's 2018-21 strategic plan and/or in alignment with goals and actions identified in the "network visioning" plans developed in 2017-18. Applications are due April 13, 2020.

[NOAA Ocean Acidification Education Mini-grant Funding Opportunity](#) NOAA's Ocean Acidification Program presents a mini-grant initiative to fund ocean acidification outreach that engages communities through innovative approaches, such as data visualization, multimedia tools, hands-on labs and citizen science. Applications are due April 3, 2020.

Connections and Partner Updates

Join the Sea Grant Restoration Email List: If you are interested in exchanging updates and ideas with Sea Grant colleagues about all things restoration, email Kelly Samek to be added to our restoration email distribution list. kelly.samek@noaa.gov

Happy 50th Birthday, NOAA! This year, NOAA celebrates its 50th anniversary. Learn more about NOAA's past, present, and future at the [NOAA Open House in Silver Spring, MD](#) on March 14, 2020.

[Request for Information-Partnerships in Ocean Science and Technology](#) The National Science Foundation (NSF), on behalf of the Office of Science and Technology Policy (OSTP), requests input from all interested parties on opportunities for and constraints on building and sustaining partnerships in ocean science and technology (S&T). Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before March 19, 2020.

[Public Comment on Guidance for Grants and Agreements](#) The Office of Management and Budget is proposing to revise sections of Title 2 of the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Subtitle A-OMB Guidance for Grants and Agreements. Comments on this proposal must be submitted electronically before March 23, 2020.

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