Career Paths
Our alumni become leading faculty, educators, research scientists, directors, consultants, and founders in government, academic, profit, and non-profit sectors across the globe. Over 90 percent of our graduates obtain work in their discipline.

A few examples...

Government
Department of Environmental Protection
Environmental Protection Agency
Federal Bureau of Investigation
National Aeronautics and Space Administration
Naval Facilities Engineering Service Center
National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration
United States Geological Survey
Florida Department of Environmental Protection
Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission
United States Coast Guard Academy

Universities
Georgia Inst. of Tech
N. Carolina State Univ.
Rutgers Univ.
Univ. of California
Univ. of Florida
Univ. of Michigan
Univ. of North Carolina
VA Inst. of Marine Science
WHOI

Industry
BP
Exxon-Mobil
Northrop Grumman Corp.
Odyssey Marine Exploration
SpectrEcology
Terra Environmental Services
Tetra Tech
ThermoFisher Scientific
WeoGeo

Fall Application Deadline
Apply online at www.marine.usf.edu by January 10.

Undergraduate Prepartion
Students with a degree in biology, geology, physics, chemistry, mathematics, engineering, or other related natural sciences will have a strong academic foundation for our program.

Concentrations

Funding
Most students receive funding through fellowships or assistantships that come with tuition and health insurance.

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The 115 ft. R/V Weatherbird was used to investigate the 2010 Deepwater Horizon oil spill from sea surface to seafloor. Research into the long-term ecosystem impact continues, and additional research is conducted on the new R/V Hogarth.

Established in 1967
25 faculty, 90-100 graduate students
1:4 faculty to student ratio
Faculty & Their Research Interests

Ali Graham
Marine Geophysics & Antarctic Ice-Sheet Change
Pamela Hallock Muller
Reef Indicators
David Hollander
Biogeochemistry & Organic Geochemistry
Chuanmin Hu
Harmful Algal Blooms, Optical Oceanography
Mark Luther
Ocean Monitoring & Prediction
Gary Mitchum
Ocean Dynamics
Frank Muller-Karger
Institute for Marine Remote Sensing
Steve Murawski
Population Dynamics & Marine Ecosystem

David Naar
Plate Tectonics & Seafloor Mapping
Ernst Peebles
Estuarine Ecology, Fisheries & Ecosystem Ecology,
Zooplankton Ecology
Brad Rosenheim
Paleoceanography & Paleoclimatology
Brad Seibel
Environmental Physiology
Amelia Shevenell
Paleoceanography & Paleoclimatology
Chris Stalling
Fish Ecology
Robert Weisberg
Ocean Circulation
Nancy Williams
Carbonate Systems, Biogeochemical Sensors,
Autonomous Platforms

Cameron Ainsworth
Fisheries & Ecosystems Ecology
Mya Breitbart
Microbiology, Virology, Genomics, Water Quality
Kristen Buck
Trace Metal Biogeochemistry
Robert Byrne
Seawater Physical Chemistry
Don Chambers
Satellite Oceanography
Tim Conway
Trace Metal Isotope Geochemistry,
Biogeochemistry
Kendra Daly
Zooplankton Ecology
Jacqueline Dixon
Dean, Mantle Geochemistry
Boris Galperin
Atmospheric & Planetary Circulations

Research
The USF College of Marine Science conducts fundamental socially
relevant research from deep sea to estuarine environments.
Research topics include long-term sea level rise, coral reef
demise, paleoclimate change, ocean acidification, harmful algal
blooms, fisheries management, water quality, shoreline change,
and the Deepwater Horizon oil spill.

Location
The USF College of Marine Science is strategically located on a
waterfront peninsula in Tampa Bay (shown above).
The City of St. Petersburg hosts several local, state, federal, and
private marine-focused organizations, including:
The USGS St. Petersburg Coastal and Marine Science Center, the
NOAA National Marine Fisheries Service Southeast Regional Office,
the US Coast Guard, the FWC Fish and Wildlife Research Institute,
the Florida Institute of Oceanography, SRI International, and the
Tampa Bay National Estuary Program.

Outreach
We share the science of the ocean within our community through
ocean education programs, training courses, and outreach events.
Ways to engage include the Oceanography Camp for Girls, teacher
oceanography workshops, National Ocean Science Bowl competition,
and science festivals.