

Woods Hole Sea Grant: Research

2016-2018 Omnibus Request For Proposals

Woods Hole Sea Grant (WHSG) is pleased to announce the 2016-2018 Omnibus Request for Proposals for funding beginning Feb. 1, 2016.

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Based at the Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution, WHSG supports research, education, and extension projects that encourage environmental stewardship, long-term economic development, and responsible use of the nation's coastal and ocean resources. It is part of the National Sea Grant College Program (NSGCP) of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, a network of 30 individual programs located in each of the coastal and Great Lakes states. Sea Grant's legislative charge is to "increase the understanding, assessment, development, utilization, and conservation of the nation's ocean and coastal resources by providing assistance to promote a strong educational base, responsive research and training activities, and broad and prompt dissemination of knowledge and techniques."

During the current 2014-2016 funding cycle, WHSG is supporting 13 concurrent research projects. The average award is \$50,000 per year. Sea Grant proposals require a match of \$1 of non-federal funds for every \$2 of federal funds requested.

In keeping with the strategic plans of the NSGCP and Woods Hole Sea Grant, the theme areas for 2016-2018 are Healthy Coastal Ecosystems, Sustainable Fisheries and Aquaculture, Resilient Communities and Economies, and Environmental Literacy and Workforce Development. However, pre-proposals representing other areas will be considered.

A calendar of important dates for this request cycle can be found [here](#).

An informational meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, Feb. 17 at 2 p.m. in the Redfield auditorium in Woods Hole. Pre-proposals, in PDF or Word format only, will be due to seagrant@whoi.edu by 5 p.m. on Friday, Feb. 27.

Questions may be directed to Judy McDowell, director, at jmcdowell@whoi.edu or 508-289-2557.

2014-2016 Funding Cycle

During the 2014-2016 funding cycle, the Woods Hole Sea Grant Program is supporting 13 concurrent research projects fitting into the following theme areas:

- Healthy Coastal Ecosystems
- Sustainable Fisheries and Aquaculture
- Resilient Communities and Economies
- Environmental Literacy and Workplace Development



Many of these projects address local and regional needs, while others have national or even global implications.

In addition to research, Woods Hole Sea Grant supports a marine extension program and an outreach and education program. During the 2014-2016 biennium, the program is supporting additional research efforts funded under peer-reviewed regional and national competitions. Major by-products of these projects include publications, workshops, and lectures. Since 1971, programmatic support has resulted in over 800 publications, including journal articles, theses, books, maps, fact sheets, pamphlets, posters, newsletters, and web-based products.

Research and outreach efforts involve the following academic institutions, as well as private industry:

- Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution
- Marine Biological Laboratory
- Boston University
- Massachusetts Institute of Technology
- Bridgewater State College
- University of Massachusetts at Dartmouth
- Roger Williams University
- University of California at Davis
- University of Ottawa (Canada)

- Roskilde University (Denmark)
- University of Lisbon (Portugal)
- U.S. Geological Survey
- Northeast Massachusetts Aquaculture Center
- Southeast Massachusetts Aquaculture Center
- Martha's Vineyard Shellfish Group

as well as numerous federal, state, and local agencies and partners, and private individuals.

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