

UMaine MARINE *by the numbers*

Making Maine a global
leader as a marine state

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Facilities and partnerships with citizens, coastal communities and marine stakeholders along Maine's 3,500 miles of coastline and across the globe include:

- Our flagship campus in Orono and our coastal campus, the University of Maine at Machias
- Cooperative Extension Diagnostic and Research Laboratory and Aquaculture Research Center
- Ocean Observing and Offshore Wind programs
- The Scientific Diving Program for the University of Maine System
- Cooperative Extension offices serving Maine's 16 counties
- UMaine's Darling Marine Center in Walpole, including a business incubation program and staff of the Aquaculture Research Institute, Lobster Institute and Maine Sea Grant
- Downeast Institute, which serves as the UMaine at Machias marine science field station
- The Center for Cooperative Aquaculture Research (CCAR) in Franklin
- Marine sciences faculty and students at the Gulf of Maine Research Institute in Portland
- 4-H Camps and Learning Centers at Blueberry Cove and Tanglewood

More than **13 majors and 13 minors** with [marine-related themes](#) are offered for undergraduates by the University of Maine and its coastal campus, the University of Maine at Machias.

More than **110 marine-oriented researchers** across more than 36 units at UMaine study the coast and ocean, including the 27 faculty in the [School of Marine Sciences](#), UMaine's flagship marine academic program.

UMaine contributed to more than **\$75 million in global research** projects related to the ocean and coast in 2019 (FY20). These projects touched every ocean and continent in the world and led to more than \$13 million in research projects at University of Maine campuses and centers.

[Over five years, there has been a 32% enrollment growth in the UMaine School of Marine Sciences. In fall 2021, 420 students are enrolled in the UMaine School of Marine Sciences, including 28 master's and 42 doctoral students.](#)

From Wells to Eastport, 11 [Maine Sea Grant](#) extension associates contribute to research, technology transfer, workforce development and K-12 education on topics ranging from aquaculture and fisheries to coastal resilience.

UMaine's [research fleet](#) serves researchers, students and partners from the Piscataqua River to Passamaquoddy Bay. The largest is the 42-foot Ira C., moored at UMaine's marine laboratory in Walpole, the Darling Marine Center.

For 28 years, [Semester by the Sea](#) at [UMaine's Darling Marine Center](#) has connected hundreds of undergraduate students to the ocean through field- and laboratory-intensive courses in midcoast Maine.