

SMS324 Intro to Research Diving
Tentative Course Schedule
(Fall 2023)

Location and Schedule

SMS324 will meet in the Mitchell Classroom and/or Dive & Field Staging Building (Dive Locker) on the lower campus of the Darling Marine Center, from **8am-6pm** on the following dates, unless otherwise noted; some days may be longer. Shaded boxes indicate activities that occur on days other than regularly scheduled class days; participation is strongly encouraged, but optional.

NOTE: Equipment preparation and cleanup often takes at least an hour prior to and after the official 'end' of the class day. Class will not be dismissed until all equipment is properly stowed and ready for use. Additional practical duties (ie. tank filling) will be assigned to students on a rotating basis. Please plan your schedules accordingly, especially if you are considering commuting.

Date	Notes	Date	Notes
Aug. 30 Hi- 1103	0700- Early Start -Orono Pool Day- Swim Tests, Skills Review Late Return- 2000	Oct 25 Hi- 0835/2056	AM Diving / PM Classroom Dive 15- Rescue Skills Wrap-up Dive 16- Make-up Dive/TBD
Sept 6 Hi- 1656	-AM Classroom/ PM Diving- Sand Cove Dive 1- Orientation/ Skills Review Dive 2- Buoyancy	Nov 1 Hi- 1408	AM Classroom/ PM Diving Dive 17- Rescue Scenarios Dive 18- TBD/ Makeup Dive Rescue Exam
Sept 13 Hi- 1104	-AM Classroom/ Mid-day Diving Sand Cove Dive 3- Navigation Dive 4- Navigation & Site Marking	Nov 8 Hi- 0721/1937	-All Day Classroom- DAN FA Pro
Sept 20 Hi- 1511	-AM Classroom/ PM Diving- Sand Cove Dive 5- Eelgrass Surveys Dive 6- Eelgrass Surveys	Nov 15 Hi- 1154	-All Day Classroom- DAN FA Pro DAN FA Pro Exam
Sept 27 Hi- 0950	-AM Classroom/ PM Diving- Bigelow Lab Dive 7- Multilevel & Computer Dive 8- Multilevel & Computer	Nov 22	NO CLASS THANKSGIVING BREAK
Oct 4 Hi- 1527	-AM Classroom- -PM Diving- Rachel Carson Pond Dive 9- Deep Dive 10- Mid-water Buoyancy	Nov 29	0700 Early Start -Orono Pool Day- Practical Exam Pers. Prof. Dive Logs DUE Late Return- 2000
Oct 7/8	UMaine Fall Break Bonus Dive?	Dec 6	Class Wrap-Up Final Exam's
Oct 11 Hi- 0950	-AM Classroom/ PM Diving - Dive 11- Surface Rescue/ River Swim Dive 12- Diatom Mud Coring	Dec 13	TBD
Oct 18 Hi- 1400	-AM Classroom/ PM Diving- @DMC Dive 13- UW Rescue Dive 14- Search & Recovery		

*******THE FIRST DAY OF CLASS IS EXTREMELY IMPORTANT!*******

Class will meet for the first time on Wednesday Aug. 30th at 0700 (7am) in the Mitchell Classroom at the Darling Marine Center. Please make sure to arrive **ON TIME!** We *will be diving* on the first day of class! You **MUST** have all of the required administrative documentation completed and all of your personal scuba gear ready to go on the first day. Failure to have all of these items will disqualify you from diving on this day and restrict you from participating in some or all aspects of the course.