Coastal Adaptation to Climate Change

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offered by the

Coastal Resources Center
Graduate School of Oceanography,
University of Rhode Island, USA

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Course Content

The “Coastal Adaptation to Climate Change” course is a three-week intensive for professionals working on coastal economies, environments and population/health. The course is designed to meet individual learning needs as well as to provide valuable and constructive feedback from peers and faculty. Advanced thinking and creative ideas emerging from coastal programs around the world are featured. This is a rare opportunity for reflection, learning, networking and access to leading coastal management thinkers and practitioners. The program is unique in offering both technical content, professional skills development, and individual post-course coaching by CRC experts.

Knowledge building sessions:

- Adapting to the coastal impacts of climate change through understanding climate, assessing vulnerability, identifying adaptation options and developing strategies
- Building community resilience to natural hazards
- Assessing social and ecological factors through systems thinking and modeling
- Integrating population, health and environment with coastal ecosystem management
- Address the effects of climate change on the effects of coastal development activities such as mariculture, tourism and shorefront construction
- Analyzing and designing governance frameworks
- Identifying indicators for monitoring and evaluation

Professional skills-building sessions:

- Leadership styles and personal performance
- Clear and persuasive communication
- Group dynamics and teamwork
- Creating effective networks and social capital
- Systems thinking
Who will benefit from attending?

Individuals will benefit from the Institute who are actively engaged in the field of coastal management or whose work is increasingly affected by the issues of coastal development and climate change. They come from a wide range of organizations:

- Professionals in natural resources, fisheries, hazards, population, health and environment
- University lecturers, researchers and graduate students with extensive experience
- Staff from non-governmental organizations addressing community development and the coastal environment
- Project managers in development organizations and regional development banks
- Businesses and corporations engaged in coastal development

Venue

Participants stay together on the URI Kingston Campus and have access to a wide range of facilities. Classes take place at the URI Bay Campus conference facilities on beautiful Narragansett Bay. URI is a 2 hour drive from Boston, 3 hours from New York City and is accessible by train and bus service. It is a 45-minute drive from the Providence Airport.

Fees

The fee for this course is US $7,000, which covers the cost of tuition, housing, field trips, reading materials, special events, post course coaching for 6 months and limited health and accident insurance (if needed). Fees do not cover personal expenses, meals (except class lunches) or the cost of travel to and from Rhode Island. Registration deadline is May 1, 2010. **Take advantage of an early registration discount of $1,000 if you register by March 1, 2010!**

Coastal Management Institute

The Coastal Management Institute at the Coastal Resources Center is dedicated to building the next generation of coastal leaders. The institute offers several training courses delivered in US and internationally. The Institute has over 200 alumni from 60 countries. Courses include Integrated Coastal Management, Advanced Coastal Management, Leadership in Sustainable Fisheries Management, Large Marine Ecosystems, and Coastal Adaptation to Climate Change.

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