Leadership for Fisheries Management Course

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University of Rhode Island, Rhode Island, USA

What is the Leadership for Fisheries Management Course?
This is a three-week intensive course for people working toward management of more sustainable fishery resources and communities. The course combines technical knowledge with personal leadership development for creating an impact across organizations.

The application of systems approaches to fisheries management is the overarching theme of this leadership course. The participants will be introduced to the current thinking in fisheries science and technology, including stock assessments and population dynamics; social and economic issues; management principles, development of management objectives; application of basic and innovative tools to achieve those objectives and development and implementation of an effective co-management strategy.
Lectures, field exercises, small-group work, simulations and case studies create a robust interactive dynamic for learning new insights and skills to more sustainably manage fisheries.

The course is based on leadership development, focusing on transformational change at multiple levels—from individual to societal. Team building, a theme woven throughout each day, emerges as a major benefit of the three-week experience. The course develops leadership ability and insight. The overall purpose of this course is to assist participants in developing a plan of action for bringing about changes in fisheries management.

**What are the benefits of attending?**

This course is for individuals who are actively engaged in fisheries science and management and for those whose work is increasingly affected by the issues of overfishing, biodiversity losses, ecosystem changes, food security and poverty. The program provides valuable peer and faculty feedback for improving leadership skills. This is a rare opportunity for reflection and networking with leading fisheries science and management practitioners.

Participants will learn how programs around the world are:

- Building successful co-management teams and implementation plans
- Balancing biological, social and economic drivers
- Developing management objectives and reference points
- Applying new management tools
- Understanding behavior change and diffusion of change
- Practicing empowerment and leadership

Proficiency in reading, speaking and writing English is required.

**Venue and fees**

The course is held at the University of Rhode Island (URI). URI is a two-hour drive from Boston, three hours from New York City and is accessible by train and bus service. It is a 30-minute drive from Green Airport, Providence, Rhode Island, USA.

The registration fee for this course is USD$6,500, which covers the cost of tuition, housing in dormitory facilities, course lunches and breaks, field trips, reading material, special events and limited health and accident insurance (if needed). Fees do not cover personal expenses, breakfasts and dinners or the cost of travel to and from Rhode Island, USA.

Registration deadline is May 23, 2014, with a non-refundable fee of US $500. A limited number of partial scholarships are available. Contact us for details.

**For application and more information, please contact:**

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