



# Sea Grant

## CONNECTICUT

We are a team of locally based professionals who support thriving coastal ecosystems, communities and economies through listening, learning and taking science-based actions in partnership with others.

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### Connecticut Sea Grant is:

- **A public service organization** focusing on the Long Island Sound watershed and its people.
  - Part of a national network working to maintain a healthy coastal environment and economy, but with a unique focus and expertise specific to Connecticut.
  - Funded by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) and UConn.
- An organization that draws on the expertise of scientists, engineers, public outreach experts, educators and students to **help citizens better understand, conserve and utilize coastal and inland resources.**
- Active in efforts to **advance ocean literacy** locally, nationally and internationally.
- Funder and supporter of **marine and coastal research.**
- Funder and supporter of **student fellowships** that help nurture the next generation of scientists and environmental stewards.

### We Work With:

- Shellfish and Fish Farmers
- Formal and Non-Formal Educators
- Connecticut Residents and Visitors
- Municipal Officials
- Recreational Shellfishers
- Kelp Growers
- Researchers
- Land Trust Volunteers
- Students
- Commercial Fishers
- Artists
- And Many Others!

## Connecticut Sea Grant directs its staff and financial resources in these important areas:



### ENVIRONMENTAL LITERACY AND WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT

**GOALS:** To foster an environmentally literate public to understand, value and respect the coastal environment and maritime heritage.

To build a skilled and environmentally literate coastal, marine and maritime workforce.



### HEALTHY COASTAL ECOSYSTEMS

**GOAL:** To protect, enhance and restore coastal and marine waters, habitats and ecosystems as well as the living resources and services they provide.



### RESILIENT COMMUNITIES AND ECONOMIES

**GOAL:** To ensure communities have the resources and knowledge to enhance their resilience by preparing for and adapting to extreme weather and coastal hazards.



### SUSTAINABLE AQUACULTURE AND FISHERIES

**GOALS:** To support aquaculture and fisheries that supply food, jobs and economic, environmental and cultural benefits.

To ensure natural resources are sustainably managed to support fishing communities and industries, including commercial, recreational and subsistence fisheries and aquaculture.

