DEPARTMENT OF OCEANOGRAPHY

Studies in Oceanography

Oceanography is an interdisciplinary science that focuses on the oceans, their contents and their boundaries. Undergraduate degree programs include BS in Oceanography and BA in Ocean Studies. In addition, qualified undergraduate students may participate in a 15-credit minor in Oceanography.

The BS in Oceanography provides students with an interdisciplinary education and training in one of three areas of ocean science: Ocean Observing Science and Technology (OOST), Ocean Climate (OC), Marine Ecosystems Processes (MEP) and Marine Chemistry and Geochemistry (MCG). All students will gain skill in handling, evaluating and analyzing large datasets.

The BA in Ocean Studies provides students with an interdisciplinary understanding of the oceans and allows them to pair it with a minor from another field to tailor the degree to their needs and the needs of the evolving workforce. All students will develop critical thinking and problem-solving skills.

The Department of Oceanography also has a combined 5-year Bachelor’s/Master of Ocean Science and Technology Program in conjunction with Environmental Geosciences, Atmospheric Sciences, Oceanography, and Geology. These combined programs offer motivated and exceptional students the opportunity to achieve aspirations in an efficient program at Texas A&M, completing a Bachelor’s degree in one of these majors: Environmental Geosciences (BS), Meteorology (BS), Geology (BS), Oceanography (BS), and the Master of Ocean Science and Technology (MOST) degree in 5 years. There are only two courses used for dual credit in this program. There is a total of 150 hours of coursework. The concurrent degree program enables these motivated students to coordinate the required BS coursework (114 undergraduate credit hours plus 6 dual credit graduate courses) and MOST coursework (36 credit hours including the 6 dual credit graduate courses) to complete the required credit hours for each degree without diminishing scope or quality of work within 5 years.

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**Majors**

- Bachelor of Arts in Ocean Studies ([http://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/arts-and-sciences/oceanography/ocean-studies-ba/](http://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/arts-and-sciences/oceanography/ocean-studies-ba/))
- Bachelor of Science in Oceanography ([http://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/arts-and-sciences/oceanography/bs/](http://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/arts-and-sciences/oceanography/bs/))
- Bachelor of Science in Oceanography and Master of Ocean Science and Technology, 5-Year Degree Program ([http://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/arts-and-sciences/oceanography/bs-oceanography-most/](http://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/arts-and-sciences/oceanography/bs-oceanography-most/))

**Minors**