

Applying to Graduate School?

# Study Marine Ecosystem Sustainability in Alaska!



## What is MESAS?

MESAS (Marine Ecosystem Sustainability in the Arctic and Subarctic) is an interdisciplinary graduate program that trains students in ecosystem approaches to manage and study living marine resources. Faculty and mentors teach the principles and analytical tools of anthropology, ecology, economics, fisheries science, management, marine policy, and oceanography.

Scientists educated in Alaska will have excellent preparation for a career in marine ecosystems anywhere in the world!

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## MESAS will

- Stimulate new approaches to marine resources issues that affect local/subsistence and large commercial interests.
- Prepare graduate students to lead management of marine ecosystems, by guiding them through policy formulation and implementation early in their academic careers.
- Foster collaborative research and training across natural and social science disciplines.

## Funding and Opportunities Available

- \$30,000 per year stipend for two years, plus tuition, health insurance and research funding. The University of Alaska Fairbanks guarantees a third year of funding.
- 8-12 week internship with a mentor at a partner organization.
- Opportunity to mentor native and/or rural Alaskan undergraduates.
- Select and host visiting scholars.

MESAS fellows must be U.S. citizens or permanent residents seeking a PhD at the University of Alaska Fairbanks School of Fisheries and Ocean Sciences, School of Management, College of Liberal Arts, OR School of Natural Resources and Agricultural Sciences. Women and minorities are encouraged to apply.

Application information at [www.uaf.edu/mesas](http://www.uaf.edu/mesas)

**APPLY BY JANUARY 31 FOR FALL ADMISSION**

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