



# Marine Sciences Research Center

presents the Class of 2007

## *Convocation Ceremony*

Date: May 18, 2007

Time: 8:30 a.m.

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Friday, May 18, 2007



## Scheduled Events

8:30 a.m. *Breakfast Reception*

9:00 a.m. *Graduation Ceremony*

*Opening Remarks by*

Dr. David O. Conover, Dean and Director, MSRC

## Awarding of Certificates

- Undergraduates, presented by  
Doctors *Brian Colle, Kamazima Lwiza & Gordon Taylor*
- Masters and Doctorates, presented by  
Dr. Anne McElroy and Thesis Advisors
- Petra Udelhofen Scholarship Award, presented by  
Dr. Minghua Zhang    Recipient  
                                 Katherine Rojowsky

*Closing Remarks by Dean Conover*

# Bachelor of Arts

Environmental Studies, presented by Dr. Kamazima Lwiza

## DEGREE RECIPIENTS

David Carroll

Luke Gliganic

Carol Chan

Angela Lee

Kathryn Creagen

Jamison Lee

Allison DeSanti

Colin O'Neill

Natashia Figueras *Banner Bearer* Luke Ormand

## Minors

Susan Bergman

Gloria Gill

Alyssa Maurin

Gina Sideli

# Bachelor of Science

Atmospheric & Oceanic Studies, presented by Dr. Brian Colle

## DEGREE RECIPIENTS

Caitlin Campbell

Jennifer Potenza

Joseph Decicco

Jamie Waller

# Bachelor of Science

Marine Sciences, presented by Dr. Gordon Taylor

## DEGREE RECIPIENTS

Jennifer Allen

Amanda Burson

Eve Gross

Jason Havelin

Carly Kenkel *Hooding Representative*

Anna Larson

Amber Stubler

## *Minors*

Alexandra Cwalina

Kara Hoch

Colin O'Neill

Jezreel Otto

# Bachelor of Science

Marine Vertebrate Biology, presented by Dr. Gordon Taylor

## DEGREE RECIPIENTS

Virginia Barner

Christina Bonomo

Rachel Britt

Matthew Halloran

Diana Krass

Anne Macie

Ann-Marie Salvato

Anna Webb

# Masters and Doctorates

## Marine & Atmospheric Studies

### MASTERS

#### DEGREE RECIPIENTS

Walter Burak  
Wade Carden  
Michael Charles  
Enixy Collado-Mercado  
Michael Erickson *Flooding Representative*  
Michael Finiguerra  
Alexa Fournier  
Yilin Li  
Yue Li  
Marianne McNamara

#### ADVISORS

David Conover/Alistair Dove  
Bassem Allam  
Brian Colle  
Jackie Collier  
Sultan Hameed  
Gordon Taylor  
Bradley Peterson  
Sultan Hameed  
Minghua Zhang  
Darcy Lonsdale

### DOCTORATES

#### DEGREE RECIPIENTS

Lynn Abramson  
David Amiel  
Aaron Beck  
Peng Cheng  
Yan Hao  
Teresa Mathews  
Joseph Olson  
John Rapaglia  
Deli Wang

#### ADVISORS

Cindy Lee/Robert Aller  
Kirk Cochran  
Kirk Cochran  
Robert Wilson  
Robert Wilson  
Nick Fisher  
Brian Colle  
Henry Bokuniwicz  
Kirk Cochran

## MASTERS STUDENTS, THESIS/DISSERTATION TITLE

### **Walter Burak**

Infection of bluefish (*Pomatomus saltatrix*) ovaries by the dracunculoid nematode, *Philometra saltatrix*: prevalence, intensity, and effect on reproductive potential.

### **Wade Carden**

Do marine aggregates function as reservoirs and transmission vectors for microbial pathogens in suspension-feeding bivalves?

### **Michael Charles**

An investigation of Cool Season Extratropical Cyclone Forecast Errors in Operational Models.

### **Enixy Collado-Mercado**

*Labyrinthulomycetes* Diversity in Temperate Estuaries

### **Michael Erickson**

Influence of the North Atlantic Oscillation on Cod Recruitment.

### **Michael Finiguerra**

The effect of dissolved seawater components and exposures to non-receptive host cells on virion decay.

### **Alexa Fournier**

*Hemigrapsus sanguineus* in Long Island salt marshes: Survey of an invasive species and its interaction with the native fiddler crab, *Uca pugilator*.

### **Yilin Li**

Interannual Variability in U.S. west coast and Alaska winter precipitation and temperature.

### **Yue Li**

The Impact of Hurricanes on Cloud Radiative Forcing over Tropical Oceans.

### **Marianne McNamara**

Impact of Predation by the Ctenophore *Mnemiopsis leidyi* on Larval Mortality of *Mercenaria mercenaria* in Long Island Estuaries.

## DOCTORATE STUDENTS, THESIS/DISSERTATION TITLE

### **Lynn Abramson**

Mechanisms of Mineral Protection of Organic Matter in the Water Column.

### **David Amiel**

Terrestrial and marine POC fluxes derived from  $^{234}\text{Th}$  distributions and  $^{13}\text{C}$  measurements on the Mackenzie River Shelf.

### **Aaron Beck**

Submarine groundwater discharge (SGD) and dissolved trace metal cycling in the subterranean estuary and coastal ocean.

### **Peng Cheng**

Modeling sediment transport in estuarine environment: effects of tidal asymmetry, lateral circulation and sediment-induced stratification.

### **Yan Hao**

Lateral Structure in Tidal and Sub-tidal Currents in a Wide Estuary with Strong Cross-channel and Along-channel Topography.

### **Teresa Mathews**

Metal biomagnifications in contrasting aquatic food chains.

### **Joseph Olson**

Landfalling frontal interaction with barrier jets along the West Coast of North America.

### **John Rapaglia**

Using direct measurements of submarine groundwater discharge to interpret the coupling between pore water and surface water.

### **Deli Wang**

Development of the Analytical protocols for the chemical speciation of redox sensitive elements, Molybdenum and Vanadium, in Natural Waters.

# Congratulations!

