# Introductory Fisheries Science for Stakeholders (IFISSH)

Registration is open for Rutgers Cooperative Extension's Introductory Fisheries Science for Stakeholders (IFISSH) course for 2025.



The course's objective is to educate stakeholders of New Jersey's commercial and recreational marine fisheries so that they will better understand and make progress on issues impacting these industries, including the science, management, and responsible stewardship of fishery resources.

Please see the reverse for schedule, topics, and confirmed speakers.



Ten classes will meet on **Tuesday evenings (6:30 - 9:00 PM) from February 4 - April 8 via Zoom webinar.** The course is open to all who are interested in learning more about New Jersey's marine fisheries.

Please visit this online form to register by Friday, January 31, 2025

Program Fee: \$40.00/person

# For more information, please contact:

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# <u>Introductory Fisheries Science for Stakeholders (IFISSH)</u> <u>2025 Course Schedule</u>

All classes will meet via Zoom webinar on Tuesday evenings from 6:30 - 9:00 PM.

Visit this link to register and submit program fee (\$40/person) payment by January 31.

Certificates of Completion awarded to those who participate **live** in at least 7 classes.

# **Class Sessions and Confirmed Speakers**

# (1) February 4: Course Introduction and Fisheries Biology

Dr. Douglas Zemeckis (Rutgers University)

Dr. Sarah Borsetti (Rutgers University)

#### (2) February 11: Fisheries Biology

Dr. Thomas "Motz" Grothues (Rutgers University)

Dr. Douglas Zemeckis (Rutgers University)

# (3) February 18: Fisheries Oceanography and Atmospheric Science

Dr. Josh Kohut (Rutgers University)

Dr. Joseph Brodie (AKRF, Inc.)

#### (4) February 25: Climate Change Impacts on Fish and Fisheries

Dr. Joe Caracappa (NOAA Fisheries)

Dr. Douglas Zemeckis (Rutgers University)

#### (5) March 4: Fisheries-Independent Data

Dr. Gregory DeCelles (Ørsted North America)

Gregory Hinks (NJDEP Division of Fish and Wildlife)

Dr. Douglas Zemeckis (Rutgers University)

#### (6) March 11: Fisheries-Dependent Data

Dr. Richard Cody (NOAA Fisheries)

Dr. Douglas Zemeckis (Rutgers University)

# (7) March 18: Social and Economic Issues in Fisheries

Dr. Andrew Scheld (Virginia Institute of Marine Science)

Dr. Robert Murphy (NOAA Fisheries)

# (8) March 25: Introduction to Stock Assessments

Dr. John Wiedenmann (Rutgers University)

Kristan Blackhart (NOAA Fisheries)

#### (9) April 1: Fisheries Management

Brandon Muffley (Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council)

Mike Celestino (NJDEP Division of Fish and Wildlife)

Dr. Jeff Kneebone (New England Aquarium)

# (10) April 8: Offshore Wind Energy and Fisheries

Dr. Daphne Munroe (Rutgers University)
Dr. Douglas Zemeckis (Rutgers University)

