

# Oregon Sea Grant

## Organizational Structure

### Jayathi Murthy, President Oregon State University

Oregon Sea Grant is a collaborative program with NOAA that is administered by Oregon State University. The program is administered by the OSU Research Office and collaborates with the Division of Extension and Engagement.

### Irem Tumer, Vice President for Research

The VP for Research is responsible for developing strategy and advocating for research while leading and managing the core functions of the research enterprise, including administration of OSU affiliated centers and institutes. Oregon Sea Grant is among the centers and institutes administered by the Research Office. The VP for Research supervises the Associate Vice President for Research, Finance, and Administration who supervises the Oregon Sea Grant Fiscal Officer.

### Ivory Lyles, Vice President of Extension & Engagement and Extension Service Director

The VP of Extension and Engagement provides strategic leadership and oversight of the university's community engagement mission and directs the statewide OSU Extension service. The VP of Extension & Engagement has a dotted line (communication and collaboration) relationship with the Oregon Sea Grant Director and the Oregon Sea Grant Extension & Engagement program.

### Karina Nielsen, Director Oregon Sea Grant

The Oregon Sea Grant Director is responsible for developing strategy and partnerships, and advocating for the program, while leading and managing the core functions of the Oregon Sea Grant program. The director is supervised by the VP for Research. The director is a member of the Oregon Sea Grant Leadership Team whose members include the two Associate Directors and the Fiscal Officer. The Oregon Sea Grant Director and Leadership Team also receive input and guidance on issues important to the Sea Grant mission and goals from an Advisory Council of community volunteers. The following positions are supervised by the Director:

- VACANT, Administrative Assistant to the Directors

The position is responsible for supporting the Director and two Associate Directors in project management and scheduling, serves as program liaison to OSU Human Resources, and related administrative duties. This position supervises:

- Cathy McBride, Administrative Program Specialist (interim supervision by Sarah Kolesar until the AAD position is filled)
  
- Sarah Kolesar, Associate Director for Research & Scholars.
 

The associate director is responsible for strategy, development, and oversight of the Oregon Sea Grant Research and Scholars Program. This position is member of the Oregon Sea Grant Leadership Team and supervises the following positions in the Research and Scholars Program:

  - Stephanie Ichien, Program Coordinator
  - Jenny Engels, Internship Coordinator
  
- Sheryl Powell, Oregon Sea Grant Fiscal Officer
 

This position is responsible for fiscal operations in collaboration with the Oregon Sea Grant Director and is a member of the Leadership Team. The Fiscal Officer reports to Jennifer Creighton, the Associate Vice President for Research, Finance, and Administration. The Oregon Sea Grant Fiscal Officer supervises:

  - Roxy Tacy, Grant and Contract Coordinator
  
- Tiffany Woods, Communications Manager
 

The Communications Manager oversees external communications for Oregon Sea Grant. The following positions are supervised by or collaborate with the Communications Manager:

  - VACANT, Communications Specialist
  - Lindsay Carroll, Marine Education and Communications Coordinator (dotted line collaboration, supervised by the Marine Education Manager)
  - Adriene Koett-Cronn, Communications Specialist, Hatfield Marine Science Center (dotted line collaboration with the Communications Manager, supervised by the Strategic Initiatives Manager, Hatfield Marine Science Center)
  
- Maureen Collson, Hatfield Visitor Center Manager
 

The Hatfield Visitor Center Manager is responsible for day-to-day operations of the Hatfield Visitor Center. Oregon Sea Grant operates the Hatfield VC in collaboration with the OSU Hatfield Marine Science Center. The following position are supervised by the Hatfield VC Manager:

  - Renee Fowler, Assistant Hatfield Visitor Center Manager and Volunteer Coordinator
 

The following positions are supervised by the Asst. Hatfield VC Manager and Volunteer Coordinator:

    - Nicky Greiner, Hatfield Visitor Center Greeter & Cashier
    - Athena Crichton, Hatfield Visitor Center Education Project Assistant
    - Justin Barron, Hatfield Visitor Center Education Program Assistant

- Student Assistants
  - Volunteer Docents
- Marlene Jaspersen, Office Specialist
- VACANT, Museum Technician (dotted line collaboration with the Innovation Lab, supervised by the iLab Manager, Hatfield Marine Science Center)
  
- Jamie Doyle, Interim Program Leader (Associate Director) of Extension & Engagement

The associate director is responsible for strategy, development, and oversight of the Oregon Sea Grant Extension and Engagement program and is a member of the Leadership Team. Oregon Sea Grant Extension specialists often have an affiliation with an academic department and/or another OSU center or institute. The Associate Director of Extension and Engagement supervises the following Extension Specialists and Engagement program managers:

- Tracy Crews, Marine Education Manager
 

This position is responsible for development and operation of the Oregon Sea Grant Marine Education program. The Marine Education Manager supervises:

  - Cait Goodwin, Special Projects Coordinator
  - Lindsay Carroll, Marine Education and Communications Coordinator
  - Athena Crichton, Education Program Assistant
  - Justin Barron, Education Program Assistant
- Tim Miller-Morgan, Extension Veterinary Aquatic Animal Health
 

This position supervises:

  - Sid Stetson, Senior Aquarist
  - Trevor Erdmann, Aquarist
  - Jaimie Hart, Aquarist
- Sam Chan, Extension Watershed Health Specialist
 

This position supervises:

  - Tania Siemens, Aquatic Invasive Species Coordinator
- Shawn Rowe, Extension Free Choice Learning Specialist
- Connie Sullivan, Boater Outreach Coordinator
- Miles Phillips, Extension Coastal Tourism and Recreation Specialist
- Amy Ehrhart, Extension Aquaculture Specialist (fixed term position)
- VACANT, Extension Human Dimensions & Science Engagement Specialist

Oregon Sea Grant Extension Specialists based in the county offices of the OSU Extension Service are administratively supervised by Wiley Thompson, Extension Regional Director for the Oregon Coast. Their day-to-day (co-) supervisor is the Oregon Sea Grant Associate Director for Extension & Engagement:

- Amanda Gladics, Oregon Sea Grant Extension Fisheries Specialist  
Clatsop County Extension Service Office
- Angee Doerr, Oregon Sea Grant Extension Marine Fisheries Specialist  
Lincoln County Extension Service Office
- Felicia Olmeta Schult, Oregon Sea Grant Extension Coastal Hazards Specialist  
Clatsop County Extension Service Office
- VACANT, Oregon Sea Grant Extension Community Development  
Coos County Extension Service Office
- VACANT, Oregon Sea Grant Extension Water Resources Educator  
Coos County Extension Service Office

The following Oregon Sea Grant Extension Specialists are supervised by another OSU academic unit and receive part-time support from Oregon Sea Grant. The following are supervised by Selina Heppell, Department Head of Fisheries, Wildlife, and Conservation Sciences, College of Agricultural Sciences and co-supervised by the Associate Director for Extension and Engagement:

- Guillermo Giannico, Extension Fisheries Specialist and Professor of Fisheries, Wildlife, and Conservation Sciences
- Leigh Torres, Extension Marine Mammals Specialist, Associate Professor of Fisheries, Wildlife, and Conservation Sciences and Marine Mammal Institute (also co-supervised by Lisa Ballance, Director Marine Mammal Institute, College of Agricultural Sciences)