Our Future Is Bright!

Marine science and education on the Oregon Coast has blossomed into one of the fastest-growing sectors in the state and region.

Contributing to this success are years of proactive, forward-thinking economic development centered on the Oregon Coast’s strengths:

- Vibrant fishing and maritime industries
- Ocean and coastal stewardship
- Strong synergy in marine science and education among diverse partners
- A long-standing, collaborative, can-do spirit that grows with each success

Oregon State University - with Hatfield Marine Science Center as its coastal marine lab for almost 50 years - has earned global distinction in marine science, including:

- Marine mammal conservation science
- Fisheries science and sustainable coasts
- Renewable ocean energy

Now, OSU’s plans to expand its marine programs on the coast are at the leading edge of an extraordinary university initiative championed by OSU President Ed Ray. The Marine Studies Initiative positions OSU, and Hatfield Marine Science Center, to increase our stature as a premier institution in transdisciplinary research and education in marine studies ranging from science and engineering to arts and humanities.

Central to the new Marine Studies Initiative is the Marine Studies Building in Newport – a 100,000 square foot facility for teaching and research at Hatfield Marine Science Center supporting 500 students and associated faculty and staff. The promise of the Marine Studies Initiative has inspired a $20 million matching pledge from an anonymous donor. The future is bright, indeed!

“...will enable a dramatic expansion of HMSC’s world-class research and provide even more undergraduate research opportunities to ensure a pipeline of highly qualified professionals for the future.”

Bruce Mate, Director
OSU Marine Mammal Institute

To invest in the Marine Studies Initiative, contact Hatfield Marine Science Center Director’s Office at 541-867-0212 or the OSU Foundation at 541-737-5495.
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Challenged by a $20 million matching pledge, OSU has a tremendous opportunity to launch the Marine Studies Initiative with a state-of-the-art coastal facility for:

- **Teaching** - Classroom space will support up to 500 undergraduate and graduate students, featuring “collaboratories” for students from diverse disciplines to solve real-world problems through collaboration and teamwork.

- **Research** - The building will house the Marine Mammal Institute, Marine Genomics Program, and an interdisciplinary research and teaching faculty from across OSU’s eleven colleges. An “incubator” for business start-up ventures will enhance OSU-industry collaboration.

Now, we are asking for your support. OSU aims to raise $1 million from the coastal community toward this dramatic expansion of OSU’s Hatfield Marine Science Center. Your investment in our shared future will help make the Marine Studies Building a reality.

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