ESTUARY & OCEAN SCIENCE CENTER

The Estuary & Ocean Science Center (EOS Center) is an interdisciplinary academic program for innovative research, education and public engagement. The EOS Center cultivates the intellectual energy of creative and determined academic scholars, research scientists, students and alumni dedicated to growing our scientific understanding of coastal and ocean ecosystems.

The EOS Center will:

• Enable scientific study of coastal, estuarine and marine ecosystems;
• Develop and maintain modern research and educational facilities;
• Support a diverse community of learners and practitioners;
• Promote student success through evidence-based teaching practices;
• Communicate scientific understanding of historical, contemporary and future environmental conditions and trends;
• Engage with local communities, governmental agencies, non-profit organizations and industry to provide valued scientific information and solutions;
• Model sustainable practices in our day-to-day operations and business plan;
• Conduct responsible stewardship of our lands and historic resources;
• Deliver community value through place-based educational programs, citizen science and volunteer opportunities; and
• Support the mission, vision and values of SF State.

EOS Center Mission
To support scientific study of the sea, enhance public engagement with marine science and develop solutions to environmental problems confronting coastal communities. We connect science, society and the sea through outstanding interdisciplinary research, education and outreach programs, sustaining healthy and resilient coastal ecosystems for future generations.

EOS Center Vision
To create a sustainable center for scientific discovery, innovation and education focused on the health and resilience of the San Francisco Estuary, the Gulf of the Farallones and other coastal ecosystems.

Our guiding principles inform everything we do. SF State’s long-standing commitment to excellence in teaching, community learning and social justice are important principles we embrace.

Courage
We inspire courageous action in research, learning and civic engagement.

Life of the mind
We stimulate intellectual engagement and critical thinking to develop solutions.

Equity
We embrace human diversity and support social and environmental justice and equity.

Community
We interpret and apply scientific research to benefit society. We encourage teamwork among students, researchers, staff and our partners.

Resilience
We foster resilience in our communities, and in our estuary and ocean ecosystems.