

GCE LTER Schoolyard program

July 8-13, 2012

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The **Georgia Coastal Ecosystems Long Term Ecological Research** Program (GCE-LTER) is an NSF-sponsored project that studies how long-term changes caused by climate change, sea level rise, and human alterations of the landscape affect coastal ecosystems. The **GCE Schoolyard Program** provides critical in-service training for K-12 educators in field ecology, immersing science and math teachers in hands-on research activities in the field to enable them to bring lessons and actual research data back to the classroom. Since 2009 the Schoolyard Program has been run collaboratively with the UGA Marine Extension Service.

The 2012 summer workshop will run from July 8-13, 2012. This year's workshop will be based at the UGA Marine Institute on Sapelo Island. The program immerses science and math teachers in hands-on research activities alongside GCE scientists and graduate students. Teachers split their time between doing research and discussing ways to implement the information into their classrooms. PLU credit can be facilitated for in-service teachers and graduate credit may be able to be earned as well.

Expenses for the actual program (room and board) are covered by a grant to the GCE LTER from the National Science Foundation. There is a \$100 deposit required for registration, and a \$100 stipend available upon successful completion of the workshop.

For more information, please visit the GCE Schoolyard Program website: <http://gce-lter.marsci.uga.edu/public/education/schoolyard/schoolyard.htm> or contact the GCE-LTER Information Management Office (gcelter@uga.edu).



**Application for the GCE LTER Schoolyard program
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Name: _____ E-mail: _____

Home Address: _____

Home phone: _____ Work phone: _____

Number of years teaching experience (including current year): _____

Are you currently a teacher? _____ If yes, School Name: _____

School Address: _____

Grade(s) you teach: _____ Principal's name: _____

Have you participated in the Schoolyard program before? : _____ If yes, how many years: _____

What is your current educational status?: _____

Do you intend to take this workshop for PLU credit?: _____ (If yes, please bring required paperwork from you District with you to the workshop).*

Please submit a brief (1-2 page) essay that describes your experience as a teacher and what you would expect to gain from this professional development experience.

Send completed applications to GCE-LTER Program, Dept. of Marine Sciences, Univ. of Georgia, Athens, GA 30602. Applications can also be e-mailed to gcelter@uga.edu.