

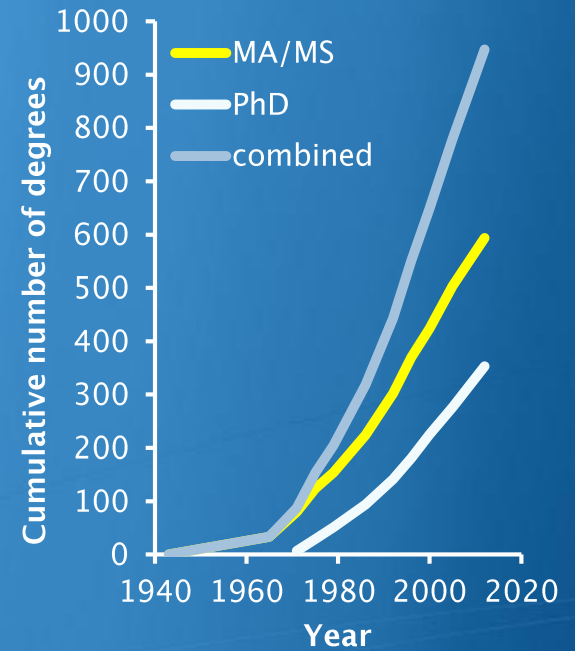
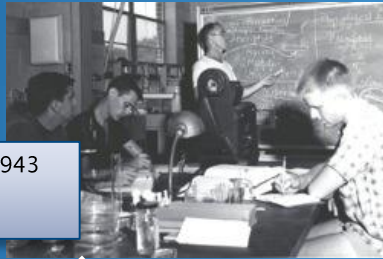
Graduate Program Overview School of Marine Science

November 2016

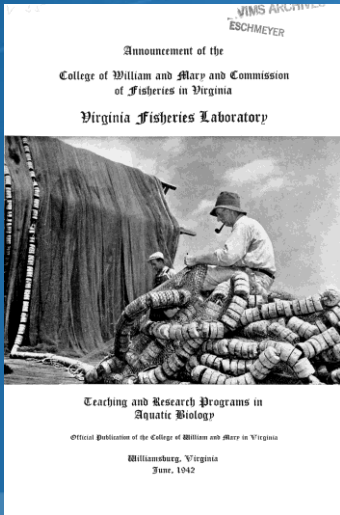
Graduate Program History



First Master's in 1943
First doctorates in 1968



W&M students begin Master's program in aquatic sciences under direction of Professor Donald Davis, Chair of W&M's Biology Department



In 2015, the 75th anniversary year, SMS had 90 students and the 1000th Marine Science degree was awarded

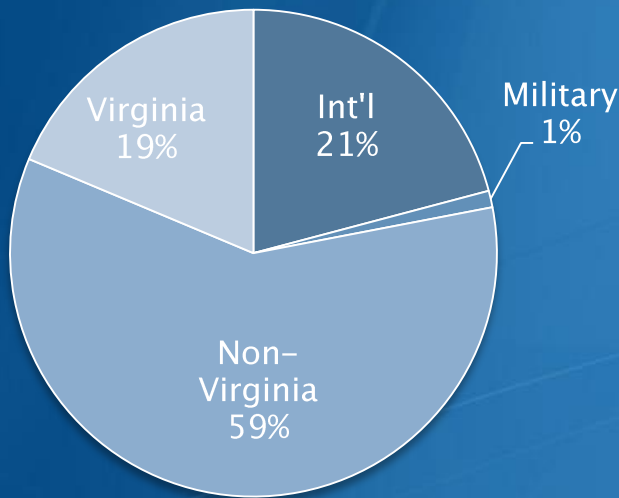
National Ph.D. Degree Completions in Marine Science (including Oceanography) Top 15 Institutions (1993–2013)

Institution – PhD Degrees	total	percent
University of California–San Diego (Scripps)	431	13.5%
College of William and Mary (VIMS)	209	6.5%
University of Rhode Island	185	5.8%
Stony Brook University	171	5.4%
University of Washington – Seattle Campus	162	5.1%
University of Miami	157	4.9%
Texas A & M University – College Station	154	4.8%
University of South Florida – Main Campus	151	4.7%
University of Maryland – College Park	137	4.3%
Louisiana State University	133	4.2%
Oregon State University	104	3.3%
University of Delaware	101	3.2%
Massachusetts Institute of Technology (WHOI)	100	3.1%
Florida State University	93	2.9%
University of Hawaii at Manoa	88	2.8%

Source: Lettrich 2014 (NSF)

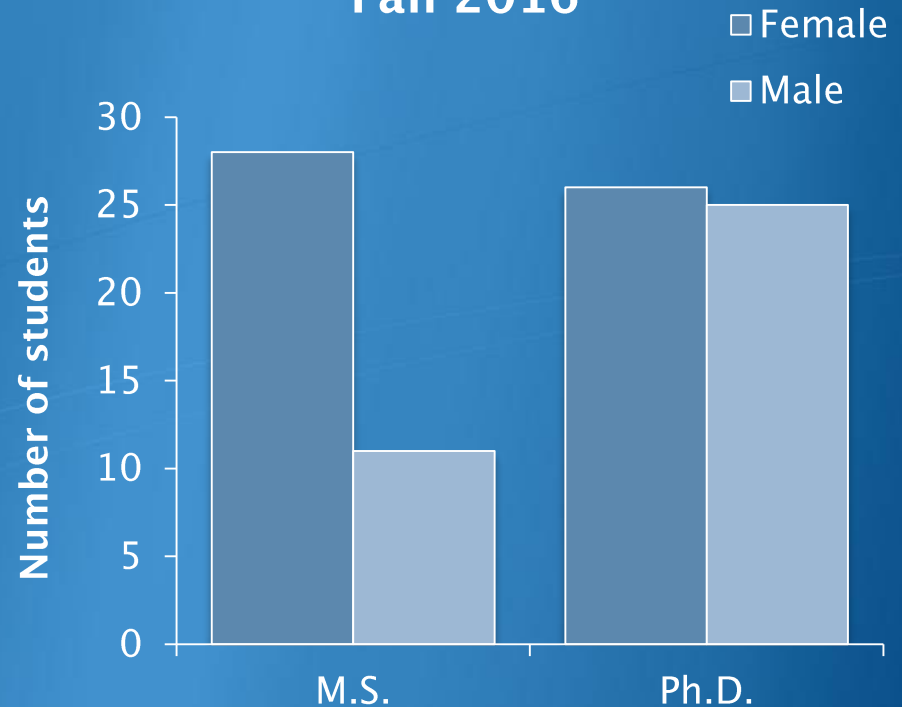
Student Demographics

Student Domicile Fall 2016



International students are from China, Brazil, El Salvador, Germany, France, Portugal, Nepal and Thailand

Program Tracks Fall 2016



Student Perspectives



William Goldsmith – Doctoral candidate, Fisheries Science

“I have been able to craft a dissertation that directly addresses pressing management concerns for Atlantic Bluefin tuna, all the while working closely with domestic fishery managers, scientists at other institutions and in government, and fishermen themselves.”

“I credit VIMS with offering me the chance to tackle this challenging issue while providing me with the resources necessary to ensure my success both during the completion of my degree and after graduation, when I plan to pursue a career in fisheries policy.”

Julia Moriarty – Doctoral candidate, Physical Sciences

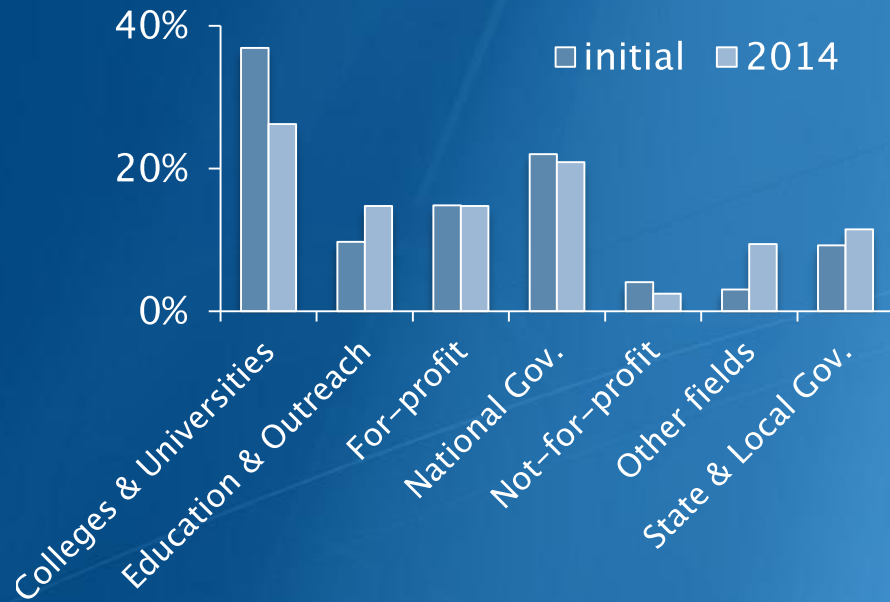
“SMS' greatest strengths are its commitment to interdisciplinary coastal science and producing not only research scientists, but also environmental educators, policy makers, and professionals for the private sector.”

“While many schools have solid academic programs, SMS stands out for its willingness to support students in non-research career paths and its support of both the M.S. and Ph.D. program.”

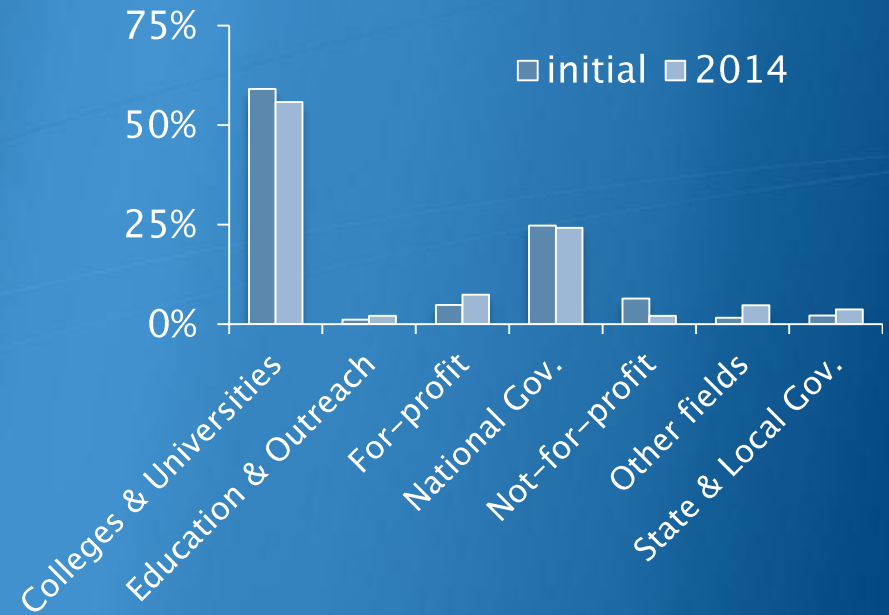


Alumni Placement

Alumni Employment – M.S. since 1992



Alumni Employment – Ph.D. since 1992



Our Alumni – The Next Wave



Thank you!

