



# Bathybius

University of Miami

Undergraduate Marine and Atmospheric Science Program

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*ALL THE "OOZE" THAT'S FIT TO PRINT - ON THE WEB AT: <http://msc.cox.miami.edu>*

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*We welcome our new and returning students. Please feel free to stop by the Marine and Atmospheric Science Office for advising, or to check on research, volunteer and job opportunities, upcoming events, information on clubs, and other announcements.*

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The Marine Science Office is in Room 182 of the Cox Science Building.  
Our telephone number is (305) 284-2180. Our office email is  
[marsci@miami.edu](mailto:marsci@miami.edu).

**OFFICE HOURS ARE 8:30 AM – 5:00 PM, Monday – Friday.**

We wish you well in the upcoming semester. Please be sure meet with your advisor for any academic concerns that you may have. The advisors in the program are:

Marine Science

Dr. Dan DiResta  
Dr. Donald Olson  
Dr. Jill Richardson

Marine Affairs

Maria Villanueva

Meteorology

Dr. Brian Soden

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## *Hi MSCERS,*

Our returning students will notice that the name of the Marine and Atmospheric Science Newsletter has changed from **Coconut Telegraph** back to **Bathybius**. It's a funny story. This summer, we received a call from Jimmy Buffett's lawyer that Mr. Buffett was not happy we were using **Coconut Telegraph**, since that's the copyrighted name of his newsletter. The lawyer asked us to change the name and take it off the web. We suggested he have a few margaritas and chill, but the University's Office of the General Council encouraged us to comply. And so, back to **Bathybius**. We're now trying to get Jimmy to come and play on the RSMAS patio for happy hour, so stay tuned.

As you all know, the MSC Program has transitioned from the College of Arts & Science to the Rosenstiel School of Marine and Atmospheric Science over the summer. Our new students are now in the Rosenstiel School; our returning students are in Arts & Sciences. During the semester, we will have a series of meetings to discuss how staying in A&S or changing to RSMAS will affect you. Either way, your major and general education requirements will be the same.

We're excited you're all here and we look forward to talking with you. If you have any questions or need any academic help, come by the MSC Office. We wish you all a great semester.

## ***SNORKELING TRIPS***

The MSC111 snorkeling trips to the coral reefs of Biscayne National Park will be held on

**Saturday, Sept. 6 and Sunday, Sept. 7.**

There will be two trips on Saturday, one leaving at 8:00 AM and the other at 11:30. There will be one trip on Sunday, which will leave at 8:00 AM.

**FOR ALL TRIPS...we will meet at the Palm Court fountain (the fountain by the MSC Office).**

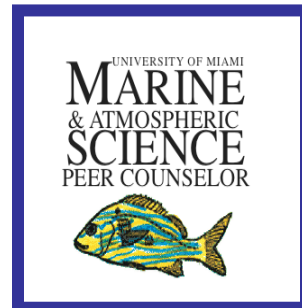
The buses will leave promptly at the designated times so  
**PLEASE BE ON TIME!**

Snorkeling gear & flotation vests will be provided.  
All MSC 111 students should sign up for one of the trips in the MSC Office.



## ***PEER COUNSELING -***

Peer Counseling will be available to all incoming freshman and transfer students, under the direction of MSC student Alycia Rajendran. Please feel free to contact your designated Peer Advisor for any issues or concerns. Alycia, and a dedicated group of peer advisors, are here to help make your transition to UM a wonderful experience.



## ***NEW AND TRANSFER STUDENTS -***

You are advised to keep a copy of your curriculum requirements from when you enter the university. You may find the requirements in the 2008-2009 University of Miami Undergraduate Bulletin, available at: <http://www.miami.edu/bulletin/>. The complete bulletin is available in PDF format at the following website: <http://www.miami.edu/bulletins/undergrad/full.pdf> This will guide you in monitoring your academic progress and in resolving your concerns with your academic advisors.

## **IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER**

**MSC 232 – Labs begin on Monday, September 8**

**MSC 111 – Labs begin on Monday, September 8**  
*(MSC 111 - lectures begin on Aug. 27)*

## UNIVERSITY OF MIAMI ACADEMIC CALENDAR

**FALL 2008**

Subject to Change

**69 Class Days Per Semester**

Aug 13	Wed	Deadline for Readmission
Aug 19 & 20	Tues & Wed	International Student Orientation
Aug 20 & 21	Wed & Thurs	Housing Available for Students
Aug 21	Thurs	Orientation Begins
Aug 27	Wed	CLASSES BEGIN
Aug 27	Wed	Late Registration Fees in Effect
Sept 1	Mon	HOLIDAY (LABOR DAY)
Sept 2 - 17		Prestigious Fellowships/Scholarships Due in Honors Program & Office of Academic Enhancement. For specific dates, see <a href="http://www.miami.edu/honors">www.miami.edu/honors</a> .
Sept 8	Mon	Last Day for Registration and to Add a Course
Sept 12	Fri	Last Day to Drop a Course Without a "W"
Sept 12	Fri	Last Day to Make a Change in Credit-Only Designation
Oct 8	Wed	Academic Alert Grades Due in myUM
Oct 17	Fri	Last Day to Apply for Graduation for Fall
Oct 17	Fri	FALL RECESS
Oct 27	Mon	Registration Appointments Available on myUM
Oct 31	Fri	Last Day to Drop a Course
Nov 10	Mon	Registration for Spring 2009* (Begins)
Nov 21	Fri	Magna/Summa Theses Due in Honors Program Office
Nov 21	Fri	Graduate Students: Last Day to Defend Dissertation/Thesis for Fall 2008 Graduation
Nov 27 - 30	Thurs-Sun	THANKSGIVING RECESS
Dec 5	Fri	CLASSES END (11:00 PM)
Dec 6 - 9	Sat-Tues	Reading Days
Dec 10 - 17	Wed-Wed	FINAL EXAMS
Dec 17	Wed	Graduate School Deadline for Completion of Dissertation/Thesis
Dec 17	Wed	SEMESTER ENDS (11:00 PM)
Dec 18	Thurs	FALL COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES - All Degrees
Dec 18	Thurs	Housing Closes at NOON for Non-Commencement Participants
Dec 19	Fri	Housing Closes at NOON for Commencement Participants
Dec 20	Sat	Final Grades Released by Faculty in myUM by Noon
Dec 23	Tues	Final Grades Available to Students in myUM

*\* As Scheduled By Appointment*

Updated August 4, 2008

Most up-to-date calendars available at: <http://www.miami.edu/registrar>

# NEW- RSMAS SHUTTLE SCHEDULE

Fall 2008

November 10, 2008 – December 17, 2008

Monday through Friday



Revised: November 3, 2008

Departure Time	To and From
7:45 AM	Departs Coral Gables Palm Court to Viscaya Metrorail
8:15 AM	Departs Viscaya Metrorail Station to RSMAS
8:30 AM	Departs RSMAS to Viscaya Metrorail Station
8:45 AM	Departs Viscaya Metrorail Station to RSMAS
9:00 AM	Departs RSMAS to Coral Gables Palm Court
10:00 AM	Departs Coral Gables Palm Court to RSMAS
10:45 AM	Departs RSMAS to Viscaya Metrorail Station
11:00 AM	Departs Viscaya Metrorail Station to RSMAS
11:15 AM	Departs RSMAS to Coral Gables Palm Court
12:00 PM	Departs Coral Gables Palm Court to RSMAS
<b>12:30 – 2:00 PM</b>	<b>No Service</b>
2:00 PM	Departs RSMAS to Coral Gables Palm Court
2:30 PM	Departs Coral Gables Palm Court to RSMAS
3:30 PM	Departs RSMAS to Viscaya Metrorail Station
3:50 PM	Departs Viscaya Metrorail Station to RSMAS
4:30 PM	Departs RSMAS to Coral Gables Palm Court
5:00 PM	Departs Coral Gables Palm Court to RSMAS
5:30 PM	Departs RSMAS to Coral Gables Palm Court (with stop at Viscaya Metrorail Station)

## ***RSMAS LIBRARY -***

The RSMAS library has extensive holdings in the literature of atmospheric and marine sciences and marine affairs. It also has direct access to other UM Library systems. For information, please call the library at (305) 361-4060 or visit the website at: <http://www.rsmas.miami.edu/support/lib/>

## ***MSC COMPUTER Lab -***

The Marine Science Lab at Cox 184 has computers for MSC students' use between 8:30 AM to 4:45 PM, Monday through Friday, except during scheduled classes in the lab. You may use them to access your email and for the World Wide Web. The computers also have a number of programs that you will be using in your marine science lab courses. For more information, you may contact Maria Villanueva at email [mvillanueva@rsmas.miami.edu](mailto:mvillanueva@rsmas.miami.edu)



## ***STUDENT EMAIL -***

Students should provide the University with a preferred email address for entry into the University's database. This enables professors to email assignments, information and important notices to you. If you have not already provided the University with your email preferred email address, you may do so by logging on to My UM, and then select Student Menu.

## ***UNIVERSITY RESOURCES -***

Please remember that the University has numerous resources that can help you, from the Library Services to the Toppel Career Placement Center. We hope that you will use these resources during your stay at the University. We would like to provide you with additional information on a few, which may be helpful to you such as:

**STUDENT ACADEMIC DEVELOPMENT CENTER** - This Center is particularly helpful in preparing students. It offers tutoring (at no charge, in most cases) and support. It is located on the second floor of the University Center, Suite N-201. The telephone number is 284-2800.

**My UM SYSTEM** - The My UM system permits you to view information such as student accounts, grades, employment opportunities and registration. To access the system, you will need to go to <http://easy.miami.edu/> or [www.miami.edu](http://www.miami.edu) and click on the My UM option at the top. If you're new to the system, click on "first time user" and follow the instructions. If you have any questions, please call 305-284-5455 or email the Registrar at [registrar@miami.edu](mailto:registrar@miami.edu).



**CANE CARDS** - Cane cards may be used for identification, library admittance and a variety of other services, such as dining and vending. To obtain a CANE card, visit Allen Hall, Room 111.

**MATH LAB** - The Math Lab offers individual tutoring to students on appointment basis. Students registered in math courses below the 300 level are given priority. Please contact Dr. Leticia Oropesa at 284-2575 for more information.

**CHEMISTRY RESOURCE CENTER** - Assists all students taking 100 - 200 level chemistry courses. Graduate students provide individual and small group tutoring. Call 284-5165 for more information.

Please consult the Undergraduate Bulletin of the University of Miami at [www.miami.edu/bulletin](http://www.miami.edu/bulletin) for other university resources not listed above.

## *Student Organizations -*

There are several student organizations at the University of Miami, which deal with environmental issues and marine affairs. Among them are:

**RHO RHO RHO** - The Marine Science Honor Society. Members work to develop research skills, scholarship, and career opportunities for fellow students. They are also dedicated to service to the marine community. More information is available on the Rho Rho Rho website at: <http://penguin.bio.miami.edu/rhorhorho/>

**MARINE MAMMAL STRANDING NETWORK** - This organization works with the National Marine Fisheries Service to respond to marine mammal strandings in Southeast Florida. It also organizes training for members in marine mammal photo identification, anatomy, and physiology.

**SCUBA CLUB** - The club has been active in sponsoring weekend dives that have archaeological and photographic as well as scientific appeal. It also invites locally and nationally renowned speakers to its meetings. If you like to dive, this is a great way to meet people. The club is open to all University of Miami students. For more information you may go to: [www.miami.edu/studorgs/umscuba](http://www.miami.edu/studorgs/umscuba) or contact [umscuba@hotmail.com](mailto:umscuba@hotmail.com) ...



**PROPELLER CLUB** - The Propeller Club Port of University of Miami fosters understanding of marine and maritime industries with meetings and invited lectures. The club has close ties with the *Propeller Club Port of Miami*.

**EARTH ALERT** - This environmental club has been active across the campus. Among its projects are campus recycling, highway and beach clean-ups, and waterway monitoring.

**SAILING CLUB** - This organization was founded to promote the great sport of sailing through both recreational and competitive means. The club sails every Sunday from the RSMAS campus and provides a beach and picnic atmosphere along with the fun and excitement of sailing.

**AQUARIUM CLUB** - This club is open to students who currently maintain aquariums, would like to start one up, or anyone who simply has an interest in aquariums. If you would like to learn more about this group, please sign up in the MSC office and you'll be added to their email list.

**ATMOSPHERIC CLUB** - The Atmospheric Club participates in the National Forecasting Contest, visits weather laboratories and operates their own weather station. Club members also participate in atmospheric research and present at local and national meetings.



**If you are interested in these organizations, please visit the Marine Science office.**

**The clubs normally post their meeting times/locations and the names and telephone numbers of their contact persons on the MSC office window**

**during the first or two of classes.**

**Throughout the semester, current information is available from the club mailboxes, which are located inside the MSC office.**

# *Internships and Jobs* — are viewable on the window of the MSC office.

We also maintain binders which contain numerous internship and job opportunities. You may also wish to view the following websites:

<http://hopkins.stanford.edu/careers.htm>

<http://life.bio.sunysb.edu/marinebio/intern99.html>

<http://www.peas.rsmas.miami.edu/grad-studies/sumfel.html>

[www.nwas.org/jobs.html](http://www.nwas.org/jobs.html)

[www.mcbi.org/jobs.htm](http://www.mcbi.org/jobs.htm)

<http://www.ametsoc.org/index.html>

<http://www.naml.org/careers/>

<http://www.seagrant.noaa.gov/>

<http://www.marinecareers.net/index.php>

<http://www.marinemammalogy.org/strat.htm>

<http://www.seaworld.org/career-resources/internship/index.htm>

