

Greg Tolley, Ph.D.

Expert in marine ecology at Florida Gulf Coast University

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Greg Tolley studies estuaries, including the ecology of oyster reefs and the impact of freshwater inflow on estuarine ecosystems.

Biography

Greg Tolley is the executive director of The Water School and professor of marine science at Florida Gulf Coast University. He is the founding director of the Coastal Watershed Institute and the former director of graduate studies at FGCU. Dr. Tolley's research focuses on how variation in freshwater to estuaries can impact the ecology of estuarine organisms. He is also exploring the value of oyster reefs as an essential fish habitat. Dr. Tolley was instrumental in developing the marine science program and has worked diligently in Southwest Florida to increase capacity and focus university research on coastal environments and the conservation of aquatic resources and natural assets that are used and enjoyed by Florida residents and visitors alike.

Areas of Expertise

Science Education, Water Quality, Physiology of Estuarine Organisms, Freshwater Inflow, Estuaries and Estuarine Ecosystems, Oyster Reef Ecology, Coastal Environment, Coastal Science

Selected Event Appearances

Water Security

Save Our Water: Market Watch Summit

Oyster-reef restoration as a means of enhancing estuarine ecosystem function

Florida Oyster-reef Restoration Summit

Managing freshwater inflow to optimize prey production for young estuarine-dependent fishes in the Caloosahatchee Estuary

Coastal and Estuarine Research Federation

Education

University of South Florida

Ph.D. Marine Science

Marshall University

B.S. Zoology

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