

Day 1	Saturday, September 6, 2025—Live Online via Zoom
1:00-2:30 pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Welcome to FMNP Coastal Systems! Introduction to IFAS (Mark Tancig) Course expectations, goals, and format Introductions and Icebreaker Intro to Final Projects Questions and Troubleshooting Pre-test (link sent via chat)
2:30-2:40 pm	Break
2:40-3:40 pm	Introduction to Florida's Coastal Systems: Karen Rose
3:40-4:00 pm	Questions and Discussion
ON YOUR OWN	Download Course Manual and Review Chapter 1, Introduction to Florida Coastal Systems

Day 2	Saturday, September 13, 2025—Live Online via Zoom
1:00 – 2:00 pm	Coastal Uplands: Mark Tancig
2:00 – 2:10 pm	Break
2:10 – 2:50 pm	Assignments; Brainstorm Project Topic Ideas; Introduction to Keeping a Nature Journal, Questions & Discussion.
2:50 – 3:00 pm	Break
3:00 – 4:00 pm	Marine and Estuarine Environments: Victor Blanco
ON YOUR OWN 4.5 hours +	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Watch Video: Estuaries and complete reflection worksheet. (1 hour) Field Trip: Estuaries at the estuarine location of your choice, suggested statewide locations provided. (3.5 hrs.) Review Chapter 2, Marine and Estuarine Environments and Chapter 3, Coastal Upland Environments Final Projects: Work to finalize group members and project topics according to personal interests.

Day 3	Saturday, September 20, 2025—Live Online via Zoom
1:00 – 1:20 pm	Breakout Rooms: Share Field Experiences
1:20 – 2:20 pm	Coastal Invertebrates, part 1: Nick Daigle
2:20 – 2:30 pm	Break
2:30 – 3:30 pm	Coastal Invertebrates Part 2: Nick Daigle
3:30 – 4:00 pm	Questions & Discussion, Assignments
ON YOUR OWN 1 hour +	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Watch Video: Nearshore Environments and complete reflection worksheet. (1 hour) Field Trip: Nearshore Marine Environments at the nearshore location of your choice, suggested statewide locations provided. (3.5 hrs.) Review Chapter 4, Coastal Invertebrates Work on Final Projects: Narrow your topic: Contact an organization that may be able to make use of your project and ask for parameters. Determine a plan for what your final project will be; divide tasks among group members based on individual strengths and preferences.

Day 4	Saturday, September 27, 2025—Live Online via Zoom
1:00 – 1:20 pm	Breakout Rooms: Share Field Experiences
1:20 – 2:20 pm	Coastal Birds Part 1: <i>Karen Rose</i>
2:20 – 2:30 pm	Break
2:30 – 3:30 pm	Coastal Birds Part 2: <i>Karen Rose</i>
3:30 – 4:00 pm	Questions & Discussion, Assignment
ON YOUR OWN 4.5 hours +	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Adaptive Artistry Activity (1 hour) • Review Chapter 7, Coastal Birds. • Work on Final Projects: Research and Develop Content.

Day 5	Saturday, October 4, 2025--Live Online via Zoom
1:00 – 1:20 pm	Breakout Rooms: Share Adaptive Artistry Activity
1:20 – 2:20 pm	Ethics in Coastal Systems: <i>Karen Rose</i>
2:20 – 2:30 pm	Break
2:30 – 3:30 pm	Interpretation in Coastal Systems: <i>Karen Rose</i>
3:30 – 4:00 pm	Questions & Discussion, Assignment
ON YOUR OWN 1 hour +	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Interpretation: Using what you've learned so far, prepare a brief (5 minute) interpretative talk inspired by something you've observed during a field trip. (1 hour) • Review Chapter 9, Ethics in Coastal Systems and Chapter 10, Interpretation in Coastal Systems. • Work on Final Projects: Give feedback on each other's work and continue to develop and finalize content.

Day 6	Saturday, October 11, 2025—Live Online via Zoom
1:00 – 2:15 pm	Student Interpretative Practice
2:15 – 2:30 pm	Break
2:30 – 3:45 pm	Student Interpretative Practice
3:45 – 4:00 pm	Questions & Discussion, Assignment
ON YOUR OWN 4.5 hours +	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Watch Video: Beach and Dune Systems and complete reflection worksheet. (1 hour) • Field Trip: Beach, Dune, or Maritime Forest at the location of your choice, suggested statewide locations provided. (3.5 hrs.) • Work on Final Projects: Put it all together and work towards completing project

Day 7	Saturday, October 18, 2025--Live Online via Zoom
1:00-1:20 pm	Breakout Rooms: Share Field Experiences
1:20 – 2:20 pm	Fish in Coastal Systems: Nick Daigle
2:20 – 2:30 pm	Break
2:30 – 3:45 pm	Student Interpretive Practice
3:45 – 4:00 pm	Questions & Discussion, Assignment
ON YOUR OWN 1 hour +	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Watch Video: Society and Coasts and complete reflection worksheet. (1 hour) • Review Chapter 5, Fish in Coastal Systems. • Work on Final Projects: Add finishing touches and complete your project.

Day 8	Saturday, October 25, 2025—Live Online via Zoom
1:00-1:20 pm	Breakout Rooms: Discuss current conservation issues
1:20 – 2:30 pm	Amphibians and Reptiles in Coastal Systems: Guest Speaker, Alex McKelvy
2:30 – 2:40 pm	Break
2:40 – 3:40 pm	Marine Mammals: Karen Rose
3:40 – 4:00 pm	Questions & Discussion, Assignment
ON YOUR OWN	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Work on Final Projects: Rehearse Presentation and Delivery. • Review Chapter 6, Marine and Estuarine Amphibians and Reptiles and Chapter 8, Marine Mammals.

Day 9	Saturday, November 1, 2025--Live Online via Zoom
1:00 – 2:00 pm	Student Final Project Presentations
2:00 – 2:10 pm	Break
2:10 – 3:10 pm	Student Final Project Presentations
3:10 – 3:20 pm	Break
3:20 – 4:20 pm	Student Final Project Presentations
4:20 – 4:30 pm	Break
4:30 – 5:00 pm	Student Final Project Presentations
5:00 – 5:45pm	Break, Post-test, and Course Evaluations. <i>Post-test and Evaluation links provided by instructor via chat.</i>
5:45 – 6:00pm	Review Post-test, watch endowment video
6:00 – 6:30pm	Graduation