

Day 1	Friday, October 2, 2026 – Class at the MDC
9:00 – 9:45 am	Sign in, welcome, breakfast snacks, introductions, student roster verification, MDC intro
10:00 - 11:00 am	Presentation: Intro to FL Coastal Systems Chad Truxall
11:00 am – 12:00 pm	Presentation: Interpretation in Coastal Systems – Lisa Mickey
12:00–12:30 pm	Lunch (Bring bag lunch) and prepare for boat
12:30 – 2:00 pm	Field Trip - Guided Boat Tour – Estuarine Ecology – Lisa Mickey
2:15 – 3:45 pm (30 min Rotations)	1) MDC Golf Cart Site tour 2) Student Projects, interpretation project, homework videos – Trey Hannah, and Lisa Mickey 3) Ethics in Coastal Systems Presentation and activity – Carley Metcalf
ON YOUR OWN	Watch: Video - Estuarine Systems

Day 2	Friday, October 9, 2026 – Class and Field Trip at the MDC
9:00 - 9:15 am	Sign in, welcome, breakfast snacks
9:15 – 10:15am	Presentation: Coastal Waterbirds – Lisa Mickey
10:15 - 11: 15 am	Invertebrates presentation and Biofouling activity rotations – Chad Truxall and Carley Metcalf
11:15 – 11:30 am	Student interpretive practice nudibranch, sea hares, conchs and whelks
11:30 am -12:30 pm	Video Discussion Estuarine systems (30 min) and Lunch (Bring bag lunch) for 30 min
1:00 - 4:00 pm	Field Trip - Guided Boat Tour: Invertebrate Discoveries – Chad Truxall Carpool to boat dock. Bring water, closed-toe shoes, sunscreen, clothes that can get wet, and a change of clothes.
ON YOUR OWN	Watch: Video - Beach and Dune Systems

Day 3	Thursday, October 15, 2026 – Class at the MDC and Field Trip
9:00 - 9:30 am	Sign in, welcome, breakfast snacks
9:30 -10:45 am	Presentation: Mammals - Guest speakers: Wendy Noke and Teresa Jablonski with Hubbs-SeaWorld Research Institute
10:45 - 11:30 am	Presentation: Coastal Uplands Environments – Trey Hannah
11:30 am-12:30 pm	Video Discussion Beach and Dune Systems (30 min) and Lunch (Bring bag lunch) for 30 min
12:30 - 1:00 pm	Student Interpretative Practice: Otters, dune plants, tunicates
1:00 - 1:30 pm	Travel to Field Trip Location: Canaveral National Seashore
1:30 - 4:30 pm	Field Trip: Canaveral National Seashore (Beach, Dune); Park at Visitor’s Center Turtle Mound (rotating groups) • Turtle Mound Walking Tour – Guest speaker: Ray Jarrett with FDACS • Water Quality Testing - Guest speaker: Tess Sailor-Tynes and Carley Metcalf • Wrack Line Trash & Treasure (and Shorebirds) - Lisa Mickey and Bob Creedon
ON YOUR OWN	Homework Assignment Video: Nearshore Environment

Day 4	Friday, October 23, 2026 – Field Trip and Class at the MDC
8:30 - 11:45 am	On-site Field Activities (two rotating groups) 1) Kayak Eco Tour – Lisa Mickey and Bob Creedon 2) Sea Turtles – Guest Speaker: Karrie Minch with FWC
11:45 am-12:00 pm	Student Interpretive practice: Flatfish, shrimp
12:00-12:30 pm	Lunch on Your Own (Bag Lunch) in the lab
12:30-1:15 pm	Presentation: Reptiles and Amphibians (No Sea turtles) – Bob Creedon
1:15 – 2:30 pm	Presentation: Fish – Guest Speaker: Eric Sander (former FWC fisheries biologist)
3:30 – 4:00 pm	Presentation: Marine and Estuarine Environments – Lisa Mickey
ON YOUR OWN	Homework Assignment Video: Coastal Systems and Modern Human Society

Day 5	Friday, October 30, 2026 –Field Trip and Class at the MDC
8:30- 8:45 am	Sign in, welcome, breakfast snacks
8:45 - 10:45 am	On-site Field Trip (two rotating groups): 1. Birding - Guest Speaker: Joan Tague with Halifax River Audubon 2. Living Shoreline – Guest Speaker: Annie Roddenberry with FWC
11:00 am-12:00 pm	Raptors - Guest Speaker: Shell Rossi with Marine Science Center
12:00– 12:30 pm	Working Lunch (Bring Bag Lunch) Presentation: Fish - Chad Truxall
12:30-3:30 pm	Field Trip - Guided Boat Tour: Seine Netting, Fish ID, Fish Ecology, Video Discussions: Nearshore Environment and Coastal Systems and Modern Human Society – Trey Hannah

Day 6	Friday November 6, 2026 – Class at the MDC
9:00 - 9:15 am	Sign in, welcome, breakfast snacks
9:15 – 9:30 am	Volusia FMNP Friends Group – Guest Speaker: Joan Ferrell
9:30- 10:00 am	Presentation: Becoming more involved with the MDC– Chad Truxall
10:00 am – 12:00 pm	Final Project Presentations
12:00 -1:00 pm	Potluck Lunch
1:00 – 3:15 pm	Final Project Presentations
3:15 – 3:20 pm	Florida Master Naturalist Program Endowment Fund – Chad Truxall
3:20 – 4:30 pm	Post-test, Evaluations, Graduation