



Georgia Coastal Ecosystems LTER

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GCE LTER Schoolyard program

July 8-15, 2017

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The **Georgia Coastal Ecosystems Long Term Ecological Research** Program (GCE-LTER) is an NSF-sponsored project that studies how long-term changes caused by climate change, sea level rise, and human alterations of the landscape affect coastal ecosystems. The **GCE-LTER Schoolyard Program** provides critical in-service training for K-12 educators in field ecology, immersing science and math teachers in hands-on research activities in the field to enable them to bring lessons and actual research data back to the classroom. Since 2009 the Schoolyard Program has been run collaboratively with the UGA Marine Extension Service.

The 2017 summer workshop will be held from **Saturday, July 8 - Saturday, July 15**. This workshop will be based at the University of Georgia Marine Institute on Sapelo Island. Teachers divide their time between assisting with research in outdoor settings alongside GCE scientists and graduate students and discussing the implementation of the information and experiences into their own teaching settings.

Expenses for the actual program (room and board) are covered by a grant to the GCE LTER from the National Science Foundation. A \$100 deposit made out to GCE LTER is required for registration and returned at the completion of the week. A \$100 stipend will also be received upon successful completion of the workshop.

For more information, please visit the GCE Schoolyard Program website: <http://gce-schoolyard.uga.edu/schoolyard/overview.htm> or contact Venetia Butler at gceschyd@uga.edu



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Application for the GCE LTER Schoolyard program

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Name: _____ E-mail: _____

Home Address: _____

Cell phone: _____ Alternate phone: _____

Number of years teaching experience (including current year): _____

Are you currently teaching? _____ If yes, School Name or teaching site:

School Location: **City & County:**

Grade(s) and Subject(s) you teach: _____

Have you participated in the Schoolyard program before? : _____ If yes, how many years: _____

What is your current educational status? _____

* If you intend to take this workshop for professional learning credit, you must bring with you the paperwork from your District. GCE-LTER Schoolyard does not provide the paperwork.

Please submit a brief (1-2 page) essay that describes your experience as a teacher and what you would expect to gain from this professional development experience. If you are a returning participant, please describe how you transferred your GCE-LTER Schoolyard experiences to the classroom including at least one specific activity outline or instructions and the benefit of continued participation.

Send application and \$100 deposit check (made out to GCE-LTER) to Venetia Butler, GCE-LTER Schoolyard Coordinator, 151 South Campbell Avenue, Tybee Island, GA 31328. Please, no bank drafts.