

**Visiting Scientist Awards for 2011**  
**Belle W. Baruch Institute for Marine and Coastal Sciences**  
**University of South Carolina**  
**Baruch Marine Field Laboratory, Georgetown**

Applications are being accepted for awards to support investigators interested in spending 2 to 4 weeks in residence at the Baruch Marine Field Laboratory at North Inlet Estuary, during the 2011 field season.

Faculty level investigators who would benefit from the close proximity of a variety of salt marsh/estuarine habitats and a modern research facility are encouraged to apply. We especially encourage scientists with interests in establishing long-term research programs in the area. Proposals for field-based studies that can be supported by existing infrastructure and extant databases will be favored. Information on the BMFL, the study site, current research projects, and the faculty associated with USC's Marine Science Program can be found at [www.cas.sc.edu/baruch/](http://www.cas.sc.edu/baruch/).

Each award will provide up to \$3000 of support for research expenses and travel. In addition, we are offering laboratory/office space, access to equipment, use of small boats, and single bedroom accommodations on site at no charge. Research and travel expenses incurred by the individual can be reimbursed or, for some items, purchased in advance through the University of SC. Awarded funds must be spent between April 30 and November 30, 2011. Awardees will be expected to present a research seminar during their stay.

A letter of introduction and intent should provide the following information:

- current area of research and what new work you would initiate while on site,
- previous or potential collaborations with resident or campus-based researchers,
- period(s) you would like to spend in residence (investigators may choose to make multiple trips rather than one extended stay),
- specific field and equipment access you would require.

In addition to this narrative, please provide your CV (3 pages maximum) and a budget for the planned expenditure of a \$3000 award.

Applications must be received by March 9 and the awards will be made by March 23, 2011. Email submissions are preferred.

Please direct inquiries and applications to:

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