



DAVIDSON FELLOWSHIP

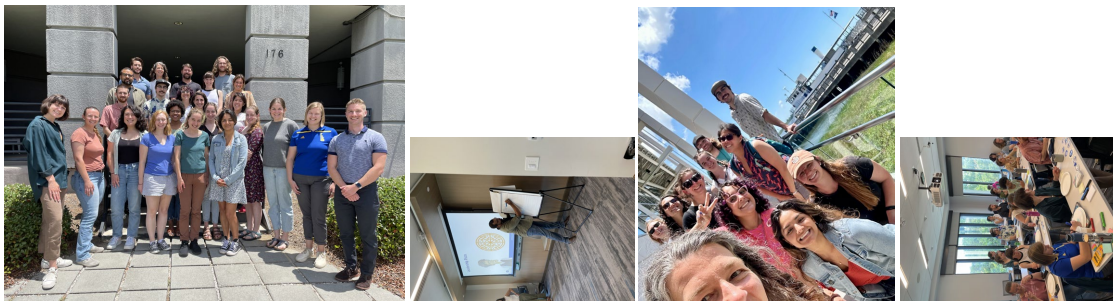
Margaret A. Davidson Graduate Fellowship Newsletter

This newsletter features highlights of Margaret A. Davidson Graduate Fellows conducting research at the national estuarine research reserves.

Fellowship Highlights

We were thrilled to host the 2022 to 2024 Davidson Fellows in Charleston, SC, for their end-of-fellowship career workshop. This workshop focused on helping our fellows develop new, or refine existing, skills to successfully pursue job opportunities of interest, strengthen relationships with their peers to encourage connection beyond the fellowship, celebrate their accomplishments, and create a sense of closure with the fellowship experience.

We're so proud of their accomplishments, and we look forward to seeing their future accomplishments as alumni!



Words of Gratitude

During the fellowship career workshop, we asked the fellows to write down a few words of gratitude for someone who supported them during their two-year projects. We'd like to share a few of these with you.

I am thankful/grateful . . .

- for the opportunity to meet and visit different NERRS, Coastal Zone Management, [and] NOAA people

and to experience the beauty of the reserves.

- to all who have given me support, [been] my friend, and inspired me to become the best version of myself over these past two years.
- to learn how to be a problem solver and [be] inspired by others.
- to my reserve for their patience with me and [their] belief in my project.
- for my mentor who has never-ending support and confidence in me.
- for the enthusiasm from the NERR for my project and for me as a person, which [makes] me feel valued and happy with my project even when I feel unmotivated.
- for those running the fellowship for their thoughtfulness and time in making the program meaningful and valuable [and] to the cohort for their optimism, inspiration, insights, and support.
- for learning how to trust myself.
- for the fellows who met with me every other week to check in and provide friendship, motivation, and kindness.

Looking Forward

We're very proud of all that our fellows have accomplished and are excited to see where their careers take them after the fellowship. We're also excited to introduce the [new fellows](#) to the reserve system! In the next issue of this newsletter, we'll learn more about the new fellows and what inspired them to pursue this exciting two-year fellowship program.



About the Program

This fellowship program honors the legacy of Margaret A. Davidson, a visionary and pioneer in the world of coastal resource management. The Margaret A. Davidson Graduate Fellowship emphasizes professional development, mentoring, and innovation, and offers students admitted to or enrolled in a master's or doctoral program the opportunity to conduct research within one of the 30 [national estuarine research reserves](#). For more information and to see a list of the full 2024 to 2026 cohort, visit coast.noaa.gov/nerrs/research/davidson-fellowship.html.

Program Timeline

The call for applications is closed for the 2024 to 2026 fellowship cohort.

June 2024 – Applicants were notified of selection results

August 1, 2024 – Start date for the 2024 to 2026 cohort

