

Putting Science to Work for Coastal Communities



\$17,700,000

Economic Benefit from Sea Grant Activities
2015

116 Businesses and 53 Jobs Created

2015



*On the front lines of coastal crisis
management and recovery:*

5 Hurricanes,
2 Floods
and the nation's largest oil spill
since 2005



5,608

Participants in Sea Grant
Meetings, Workshops
and Conferences
2015



28,911 K-12 Students Reached

2015



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Communities Implemented
Sustainable Economic and
Environmental Development
Practices 2015

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Feb. 1, 2015 to Jan. 31, 2016 highlights

Direct marketing of seafood is an important source of income for many commercial fishermen. During 2015, 30 shrimping vessels participated in Delcambre Direct Seafood (established by Louisiana Sea Grant). As a group, participating shrimpers made more than 12,000 sales averaging 30 pounds each. Direct sales totaled \$1.2 million, and the communities of Delcambre and Erath saw sales tax revenues rise by 6 percent.



At the request of the Pointe-au-Chien Indian Tribe (PACIT), Louisiana Sea Grant helped map historical tribal lands as part of a project that will aid PACIT in its application for federal recognition. The research team collected all known maps, photos and other documents of the Bayou Pointe-au-Chien area, some dating back to the 16th century. More than 100 maps, a dedicated website and an online story-map – showing movement of the tribe over time – were made available to PACIT.

As the only inhabited barrier island in Louisiana, Grand Isle has been and continues to be threatened by episodic and chronic coastal hazards. Louisiana Sea Grant partnered with Grand Isle officials and LSU's Coastal Sustainability Studio to develop designs that promote community sustainability and resiliency for the local landscape. The LSU students developed their concepts after site visits, discussions with island residents, as well as other research.

