

COSEE-West Online Workshop

COSEE-West (one of the Centers for Ocean Sciences Education Excellence) invites formal and informal educators to participate in a free workshop, “Coral Reefs: Moorea, French Polynesia,” to be held this **April - May, 2010**. This invitation is open to any educators who are interested in learning more about coral reef formation and ecology.



Keynote Speakers

Dr. David Jacobs, University of California, Los Angeles

“Origin and development of coral reefs over geologic time featuring the south Pacific”

Dr. Peggy Fong, University of California, Los Angeles

“Ecological processes shaping modern coral reef communities: Why is algae taking over the coral reef world?”

Dr. William Hamner, University of California, Los Angeles (emeritus)

“The Coral Reef Paradox”

Follow an undergraduate class from the University of California, Los Angeles as they conduct research at the Richard B. Gump South Pacific Research Station on Moorea, French Polynesia. In addition to **three course lectures** (to be available from **April 12 - April 30, 2010**), online workshop participants may **follow student blogs** (to be available from **May 3 - May 28, 2010**) as they discuss their research, what it’s like to live and work on a tropical island, and what they do for fun.

We will also be web-casting their **finishing symposium**, where the students will present their projects and their results (to be held on **June 11, 2010**).

How: Check the online workshop website for more information:

http://www.coexploration.org/cosee_west/moorea2010/index.html

Who: Formal and informal educators, anyone interested in learning about coral reef ecology

When: Lectures - April 12, 2010 - April 30, 2010 (this portion required participation for graduate credit)

Student blogs - May 3, 2010 - May 28, 2010 (not required participation for graduate credit)

Web-cast finishing symposium - June 11, 2010 (not required participation for graduate credit)

Graduate credit from California State University, Fullerton:

Participants may **earn graduate level credit for only the lecture portion** of this online workshop from the California State University, Fullerton, for \$90/unit. For more information, email Jane Lee (janejl@usc.edu) or call (213)740-4693.

Questions? Email Jane Lee, COSEE-West program manager, at janejl@usc.edu

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