

# Accelerated Coastal and Ocean Administration, Science and Technology Professional Science Master's (COAST PSM) Program

## Requirements to apply and participate

- 1) Junior status majoring in Marine Science, Safety, and Environmental Protection at MMA
- 2) A 3.2 or better GPA overall after completion of the fall semester of their junior year,
- 3) A short application to be reviewed by the SMAST department chairpersons, including unofficial transcripts
- 4) One letter of recommendation from MMA faculty member.



Mike Coute, '21 "Hands-on learning at the Massachusetts Maritime Academy and SMAST provided me with the opportunity to engage in applied learning. I enjoy fieldwork, and the emphasis on applied learning at both institutions directly translated to workforce application and competency on the job."

## Pathway to the PSM degree

Meet with your MMA academic advisor to plan classes to count toward MMA and PSM degrees.



Register for graduate-level classes at UMass Dartmouth\*



Complete classes in person at SMAST or via remote synchronous learning. Up to 9 credits may be double counted toward the MMA B.S. degree and UMassD PSM.



Apply to PSM program at UMassD in Fall semester of senior year at MMA. Enroll as graduate student at UMassD in following Fall semester and complete additional classes and project for PSM.

Contact SMAST Assistant Dean to learn about internship opportunities:  
Mike Marino: [mmarino@umassd.edu](mailto:mmarino@umassd.edu)



Participate in summer research/internship at UMassD following junior and senior years. Research experiences may be counted as MS3351 and 4411 Co-op I and II for the MMA B.S. degree and fulfill the internship requirement for the UMassD PSM.



\* terms of the Southeastern Association for Cooperation in Higher Education in Massachusetts agreement will apply to this accelerated pathway (<https://www.umassd.edu/registrar/cross-registration/>)