Considering conducting research in environmental or marine sciences, or getting a doctoral degree and think the path requires pursuing a Master of Science (MS)? A Master of Environmental Management (MEM) degree might be a great fit for you!

**WHICH DEGREE IS RIGHT FOR YOU?**

**MEM DEGREE**
- Broadly based. Emphasizes core natural and social sciences and analytic as well as practical professional skills needed in the workplace.
- Students have the option of pursuing one of many concentrations.
- They can develop critical research skills and conduct original research as part of their Master’s Project.

**MS DEGREE**
- More narrowly focused, intensive exploration into a research topic in which the student intends to lay a personal claim of expertise.

**THE BASICS**

**COMPLETION TIME**
- MEM DEGREE: 4 SEMESTERS
- MS DEGREE: 1-3 YEARS

**HALLMARKS**
- MEM DEGREE: Bridges Science and Policy, Flexible Curriculum, Analytic, Problem-Solving Skills, Team Building, Communication Skills, Specialization Opportunities
- MS DEGREE: Disciplinary Deep Dive Into a Particular Subject Area or Topic, Focused, Research-Based Curriculum

**GRAD PROJECTS**
- MEM DEGREE: A well-formulated and defensible analysis of a management-related problem, often involving collaboration with nonprofits, government agencies, or private sector companies. It requires research translation and science communication skills.
- MS DEGREE: Original research published in a peer-reviewed scientific journal focusing on answering a very specific scientific question.

**LIFE AFTER THE DEGREE**
- MEM DEGREE: Graduates are employed in careers focused on solving complex environmental problems that transcend disciplinary boundaries. A pathway to advanced study including a PhD exists for the more research-oriented student.
- MS DEGREE: Often leads to a doctoral degree or research-based careers.