

*CoastLines* is a three-year Comprehensive Project for Students and Teachers funded by the Innovative Technologies for Students and Teachers (ITEST) program at the National Science Foundation (NSF). The project is introducing fundamental concepts about information technologies (IT) to grade 7-12 schools. *CoastLines* is accomplishing this goal by involving teachers and students in using geographic information systems (GIS) and global positioning system (GPS) technology to conduct scientific studies of coastal ecosystems in the NSF's Long-Term Ecological Research (LTER) network.



The *CoastLines* project is now accepting applications from teachers to participate in the 2010 project cohort. The online application form is located at: <http://www.coastlines.ws>.

For more information about joining the project, click the Overview tab on the *CoastLines* Web site. Click the 2010 Application tab to access the application form. The application should take approximately 15 minutes to complete.

Applications for the 2010 project must be submitted no later than 11:59 PM local time on Sunday, 31 January 2010. Project participants will be notified of their selection in February 2010. The online course for the 2010 project will begin in March 2010 and the summer institute will be held in Santa Barbara/Camarillo, California over a two-week period during July 5-30, 2010. All completed applications will be considered.

Each teacher who is accepted to participate in the *CoastLines* project will be expected to fulfill the following requirements:

- Participate in online course sessions (34 total hours) scheduled after school hours during March, April, May, and June 2010.
- Participate in a two-week, 80-hour summer institute to be held in Santa Barbara/Camarillo, California over a two-week period during July 5-30, 2010.
- Implement a GIS-based *CoastLines* activity in their classroom during the fall 2010 school session.
- Attend 6 hours of online support and mentoring sessions to be held during September—December 2010.



For additional information on the *CoastLines* project, additional requirements and the participant application, please visit the project Web site <http://www.coastlines.ws>. Frequent updates are also posted on the project's Facebook group site.

Specific questions about the application or the application procedure should be directed to Sandy Stoll at [sandy@science-approach.com](mailto:sandy@science-approach.com) or 520/322-0118, extension 201.

Thank you for your interest. We're looking forward to working with you.



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