



THE UNIVERSITY OF
SOUTHERN MISSISSIPPI

MARINE EDUCATION CENTER

FIELD TRIPS

2025

COASTAL EXPLORER

For just \$15 per student, teachers can customize a three-hour Coastal Explorer field trip at The University of Southern Mississippi's Marine Education Center (MEC). Teachers are able to choose three modules from eight engaging topics. The MEC sits on 100 acres in Davis Bayou in Ocean Springs, Miss., and features indoor/outdoor classrooms, laboratories, habitat trails, pedestrian bridge and floating classrooms in a coastal setting.



Coastal Reptiles



Coastal Habitats



Water Quality



Plankton & Copepods



Dichotomous Key



Predatory Birds With
Owl Pellet Dissection



Shark Biology with
Shark Dissection



Fish Biology with
Fish Dissection

Minimum group size - 25

Programming: \$15 per student, \$10 per chaperone | **Dissection Fees:** Shark: \$12 | Perch: \$10 | Owl Pellet: \$5

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