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SEASIDE 2026 Courses as of April 27, 2026

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Course subject & number	Course name	Course dates	Days	Notes about field trips	Instructor	Capacity	Auxiliary fee*
MARI/BIOL/ENVS 3664.03	Intertidal Ecology and Diversity – distance (online)	May 4 – June 12	Async. online	Field trips from your home location – 6 week course; less condensed	I. Aubé	20	\$0 (individ. expense)
MARI 3604.03	Field Aquaculture	April 29 – May 14	MTWR F Sat	Day trips only; *auxiliary fee includes boat operation and safety certifications. Subject to change for 2026, instructor-dependent.	M. Raissy and A. Osmond	24	\$1,161* (see Notes)
BIOL / ENVS / GEOG / MARI 3633.03	Spatial Information and GIS in Ecology	April 29- May 14	MTWR FSat	Overnight field trips to SW Nova Scotia	P. Bush and P. Matsumoto	16	\$573
BIOL 3634.03	Agroforestry	April 29 – May 14	MTWR FSat	Day trips only	R. Rajaselvam	12	\$390
BIOL 3328.03	Medical Entomology	May 15 – 30	MTWR F Sat	Day trips only	T. Rossolimo	20	\$234
BIOL/MARI 3635.03	Species at Risk	May 15 - 30	MTWR F SatSun	Approx. 7 – 10 days camping in Southwestern NS.	C. Course and C. Gibbons	15	\$624
BIOL 3327.03	Entomology	June 1-16	MTWR F Sat	Day trips only	T. Rossolimo	20	\$234
BIOL 3622.03	Ornithology	June 1-16	MTWR F SatSun	8-day field trip to explore diverse habitats in the Annapolis Valley.	C. Course	18	\$726
BIOL 3639.03	Herpetology	June 17 – July 4	MTWR FSat	Day and evening trips; overnight trip to Cape Breton	M. Fenech	15	\$429
BIOL 2601.03/ 3219.03	Flora of Nova Scotia (note: 2601 is for NON-BIOL/MARI majors)	June 17 – July 4	MTWR FSat	Day trips only ; only ONE Saturday class needed	N. Hill	20	\$444
BIOL /ENVS/ MARI 3623. 03	Coastal Ecology	July 6 - 22	MTWR FSat	Day trips only. Some days may start early due to long field trips.	J. Frail-Gauthier	32	\$309
BIOL 3630.03	Field Methods in Animal Behaviour	July 6 - 22	MTWR FSat	Day trips only, for about the 1st week of course; students work on independent projects on their own thereafter	A. Horn	25	\$153

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MARI 3627.03 section 90-99	Offering 1 - Biology & Conservation of Sharks, Skates & Rays	July 24 – Aug 12	MTWR F	Two day-long boat trips for each student to gain experience in field data collection with sharks; boat trips are weather-dependent and may happen on weekend. Some days may start earlier due to field trips.	M. Dureuil	18	\$1,377
BIOL/MARI/OCEA 3003.03	Introduction to Field Oceanography	July 24 – Aug 12	MTWR F	Frequent day trips by boat leaving from the dock near Dal	L. DeGelleke	20	\$696
BIOL/MARI 3626.03	Field Studies of Marine Mammals	July 24 – Aug 12	MTWR F SatSun	5-day overnight trip with whale-watching	E. Martens-Oberwella nd and L. Wood	19	\$711
MARI 3627.03 section 1-89	Offering 2 - Biology & Conservation of Sharks, Skates & Rays	Aug 13 - 31	MTWR FSat	One day-long boat trip to tag sharks; boat trips are weather-dependent and may happen on weekend.	C. Mull	18	\$765
MARI 3650.03	Ocean Technology for the Observation and Conservation of Marine Species	Aug 13 - 31	MTWR F	Day trips, some involving boat trips; one day-long boat trip to tag sharks.	S. McIlveen and L. Carroll	16	\$705
MARI/BIOL 3680.03	Scientific Diving Methods in Ecology (additional application required)	Aug 13 - 31	MTWR F SatSun	Daily scuba diving trips pending sea conditions; must be certified scuba diver; contact Dal Diving officer (John.Lindley@dal.ca) for additional requirements & supplemental application	J. Lindley and TBA	12	\$789

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Student Code of Conduct and Risk Assessment Forms (for each course) need to be acknowledged prior to taking the course. These will be given to you by the course instructor, as they are based on specific risks associated with individual courses.

Please be aware that although SEASIDE courses are incredibly valuable and rewarding, they are also not “typical” academic courses (e.g., long days in any/all environmental conditions, long travel, overnight trips, short timeframe for evaluation, mentally and physically demanding). If you require academic AND/OR student-life accommodations, you must arrange those well ahead of your course start time. If you are unsure if you may require additional support and resources to succeed in a course, please connect with Accommodations (https://www.dal.ca/campus_life/academic-support/accessibility/accommodations-.html). Please reach out to the Director, Jen (jfrail@dal.ca) if you have any questions about specific courses.