



INCLUSION IN COMMUNITY MODELING

Importance and Need for Diversity & Inclusion

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Opening Remarks



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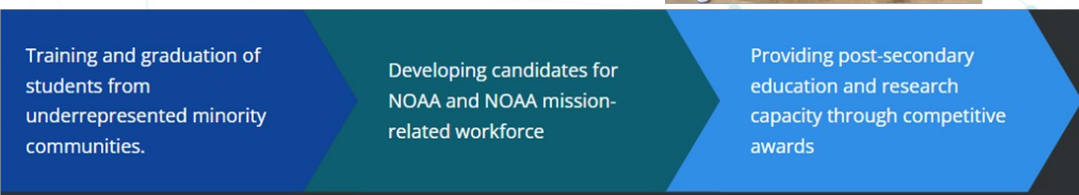
NOAA Cooperative Science Center in Atmospheric Sciences and Meteorology (NCAS-M)

Innovative observations for advancing climate, weather, and air quality analysis and prediction

Interdisciplinary scientific research to support modeling and forecasting activities for building community resilience against extreme weather, water, atmospheric, and climate events

Integrated research in support of building public safety through impact-based Decision Support Services (IDSS)

Early NOAA Engagement
Center Wide Core Competencies
NOAA Experiential Research and Training Opportunities
Social Science Integration
NOAA Mission Enterprise Diverse Workforce



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NCAS-M commitment and participation

NCAS-M have expertise and existing collaborations with NOAA line offices in simulations, measurements and field campaigns in the areas of:

- **Process-level understanding and enhanced data assimilation/analysis and modeling capacities**
- **Improved quantification of forecast skills for weather, water, air-pollution, and climate events**
- **Advancing the development of high-resolution models to enhance impact-based decision support**
- **Integrated social and physical sciences for public safety and emergency management applications**
- **Effective communication of climate and weather risks for early warning and preparedness**

NCAS-M Engagement in the collaborations in research and creating opportunities for students training through:

- **Creating, expanding existing research and training capacity**
 - Participation in NOAA and all agencies organized/co-organized National and International field campaigns and observation networks
 - Collecting and providing a wide variety of measurements/data for the validation of atmospheric models and satellite products
 - Engagement in social science: communications/perceptions of risk and decision making, vulnerability to natural hazards, Climate Change Impacts and resiliency
 - Joint proposals, publications and conference presentations
 - Stakeholder engagement (local, NGOs, State, other Federal, Industry)
 - Joint proposals, publications and conference presentations
- **Experiential Training for early career professionals particularly from URM communities:**
 - Experiential Research and Training Opportunities (12 week to 1 year)
 - Create future Graduate Fellowship Program projects (GFP – new pilot program initiated by NOAA OED/EPP-MSI), (1 year), and
 - Early career postdoctoral opportunities.

Output/Outcomes



Students training

Future Workforce

Annual Colloquium

Stakeholder Engagement

Joint Seminars

Monthly meetings

Outcome of NOAA Funding



NCAS-M Facts & Figures 2016-2022



The Department of Earth, Environment, and Equity (E3)

Program Information

The Department of Earth, Environment and Equity (E3), will open its doors in the College of Arts and Sciences in Fall 2024. The new department will offer undergraduates degrees in Environmental Science, Environmental Studies, Atmospheric Science and Earth System Science.

The department offerings expand upon the curriculum and current degree programs in Interdisciplinary Studies, which offer concentrations in Environmental Studies and Environmental Science. The E3 department will maintain its interdisciplinary training by emphasizing rigorous environmental scientific research, combined with course work in environmental justice and community-driven curricula.



College of
Arts and Sciences



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NOAA Center for Earth System Sciences and Remote Sensing Technologies II (CESSRST) Program

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Four NOAA Cooperative Science Centers

There are four centers with 24 university members



NOAA Center for Atmospheric Science and Meteorology (NCAS&M) – Howard University, DC



NOAA Center for Coastal and Marine Ecosystems (CCME) –Florida A&M University, FL



NOAA Living Marine Resources Cooperative Science Center –University of Maryland, Eastern Shore, MD



NOAA Center for Earth System Sciences and Remote Sensing Technologies (CESSRST)The City College of CUNY, NY

Training a diverse workforce in NOAA Mission Enterprise

Center Type Competencies

- ❖ Remote Sensing, Data Science,
- ❖ Environmental Modeling
- ❖ Social Science
- ❖ Professional Competencies

Experiential Training

- ❖ Cutting-edge mentored research projects
- ❖ Early NOAA Engagement
- ❖ NOAA Experiential Research & Training Opportunities
- ❖ Stake-holder Engagement

Integrated Social Science

Communications/perceptions of risk and decision-making, vulnerability to natural hazards, Climate Change Impacts and resiliency, Environmental Justice

Coastal Resilience

Costal Ocean water quality
Coastal erosion in Arctic
Coral Reefs
Harmful Algal Blooms

Atmospheric Hazards

Weather Hazards/Storms/Heatwaves
Atmospheric Composition/Air Quality
Satellite applications to weather and air quality
Weather and Air Quality Modeling

Water Prediction and Ecosystem Services

Floods & Droughts- Risk Assessment and Ecosystem Outcomes

Assessment and Application of National Water Model
Monitoring Land-Atmosphere-Ocean Exchange/Fluxes
Microwave and Visible Hyperspectral environmental observations from UAS platform

NOAA EPP/MSI Education and Training Model is Unique



A Holistic Training

Research, Academics, Professional

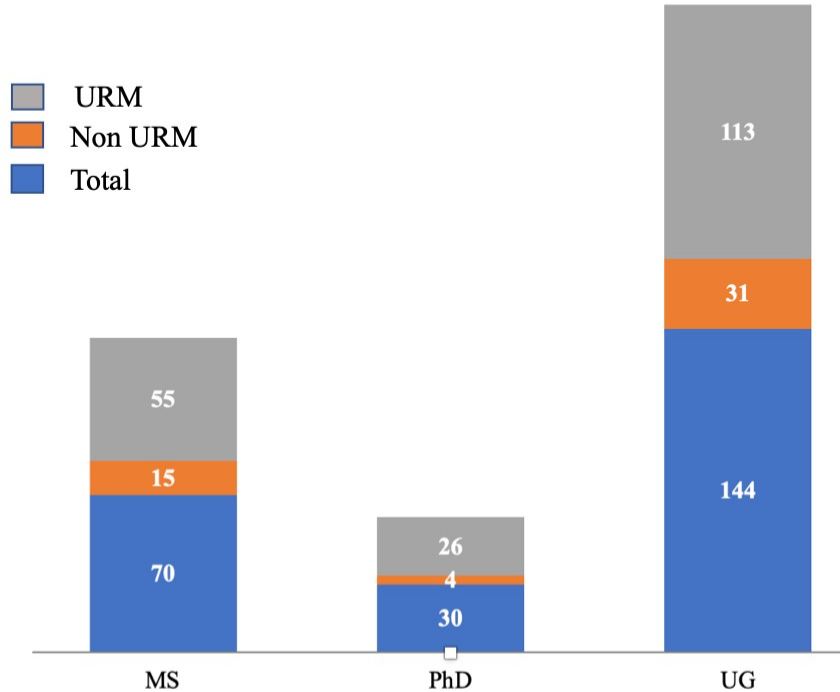


Prepares Fellows for

Future Workforce, and/or Further Studies

COHORT STUDENTS

Total Cohort Students: 244 (193 URM)



Increased number, annually, of CSC post-secondary students trained

DEGREE MAJORS: Total: 247 and 193 URM

Major	Total	URM
Engineering	121	92
Physical Sciences	53	44
Computer & Information Sciences	10	7
Mathematics	4	1
Bio Sciences	23	22
Social Sciences	25	23
Arts and Humanities	0	0
Other	8	6

The number of degrees earned annually in NOAA mission-related disciplines.



DEGREE MAJORS AWARDED

Major	Total	URM
Engineering	70	50
Physical Sciences	25	20
Computer & Information Sciences	3	1
Mathematics	4	1
Bio Sciences	7	7
Social Sciences	12	12
Arts and Humanities	0	0
Other	4	4

The number of degrees earned annually in NOAA mission-related disciplines



TOTAL DEGREES AWARDED: 125 (URM: 95)

	Total	URM
UG	72	54
MS	43	33
PhD	10	8



Increased number of CSC post-secondary students educated and graduated annually

CESSRST Postdoctoral Fellows: 2 (URM:1)



POST GRADUATION 20 Years of investment



356

STUDENTS EMPLOYED IN
PRIVATE INDUSTRY



11

STUDENTS EMPLOYED BY
NOAA FEDERAL



142

STUDENTS EMPLOYED IN ACADEMIA JOBS



4

STUDENTS WORKING AS ENTREPRENEURS

18



STUDENTS EMPLOYED BY
NOAA CONTRACTORS

112



STUDENTS EMPLOYED BY
OTHER FEDERAL, STATE,
LOCAL OR TRIBAL GOVT.

Data Products

Air Temperature for Cities

Heat Index for Cities

CESSRST Lidar Network

Chl NN algorithm

Urban Thermodynamic Profiles

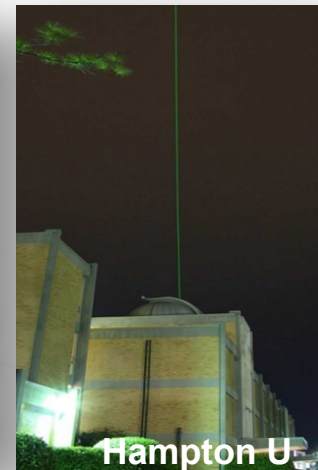
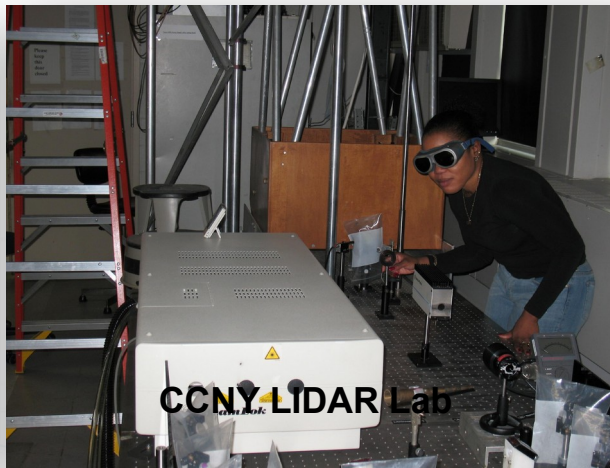
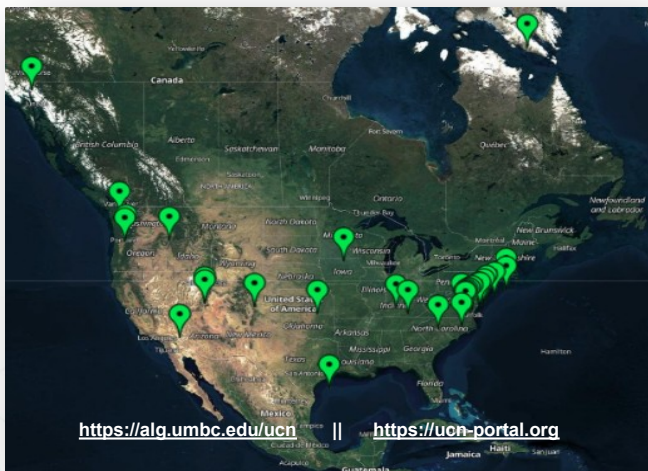
VIIRS Chl algorithm

Regional PM2.5 Product

Urban Wind Pattern

Compilation of PBL heights

Lidar Network at CESSRST Institutional Sites (CCNY, UMBC, Hampton U)



Aerosol Lidars
(CLN)

40 Federal Local and
State environmental
agencies

Unified Ceilometer
Network (UCN)

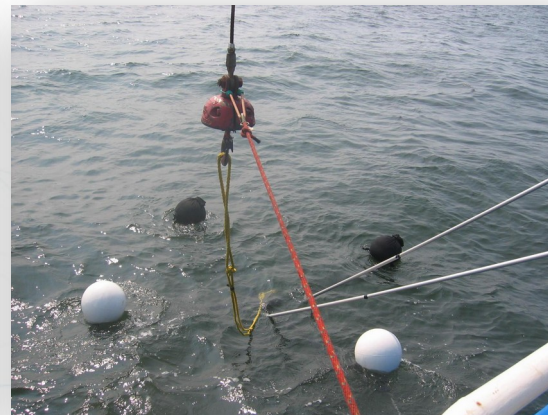
Two NOAA
Cooperative
Science Centers

Tropospheric Ozone
Lidar Network
(TOLNET)

One NOAA
Cooperative
Institute

9 Minority
Serving
Institutions

Long Island Sound Coastal Observatory (LISCO), NY



Coastal Ocean Water Quality/Ocean Color Satellite Calibration and Validation and Field Sites

https://www.star.nesdis.noaa.gov/socd/mecb/color/CalVal_n20.php

Algal Bloom Experimental Products NOAA NCCOS Chlorophyll-a

https://coastwatch.noaa.gov/cw_html/NCCOS.html

NOAA Collaborative Field Campaigns and Cruises

Multi-agency Long Island Sound Tropospheric Ozone Study (LISTOS 2018)

**Follow-on NOAA OAR/ESRL/CSL campaigns
AEROMMA Atmospheric Emissions and
Reactions Observed from Megacities to
Marine Areas in Summer 2023**



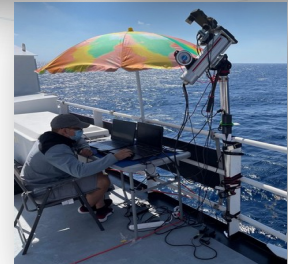
Multi-agency Ozone Water Land
Environmental Transition Study (OWLETS 1
and 2 - 2017/2018)

NOAA OAR participation Washington Post
“Air quality study over Chesapeake Bay
seeks to understand pollution



NOAA and Multiagency Ocean Water Color and Water
Quality Cruises

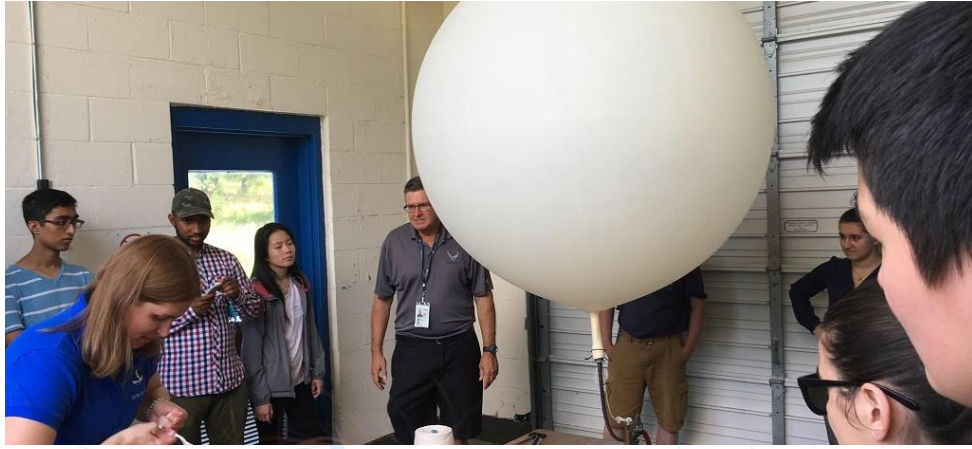
CESSRST groups participated in multiple cruises
(many on NOAA ships) for the validation of
satellite sensors: VIIRS on SNPP and NOAA-20
satellites and European Space Agency (ESA)
OLCI sensors on Sentinel 3A and 3B satellites.



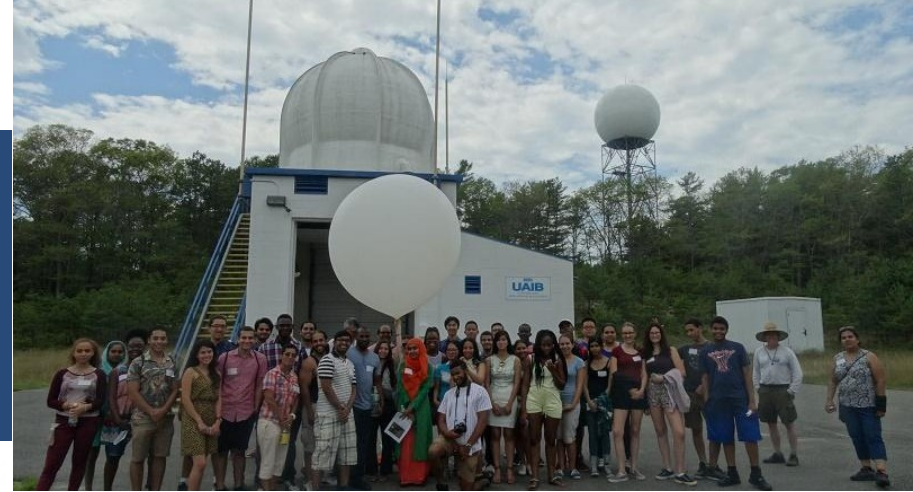
Building future Weather Ambassadors and Community of Scientists & Engineers



What does it mean to be Weather Ready



Networking with NOAA NWS Forecasters – understanding Weather and



Sensing one Borough at a time - New York Urban Hydro- meteorological Testbed (uHMT)

Project

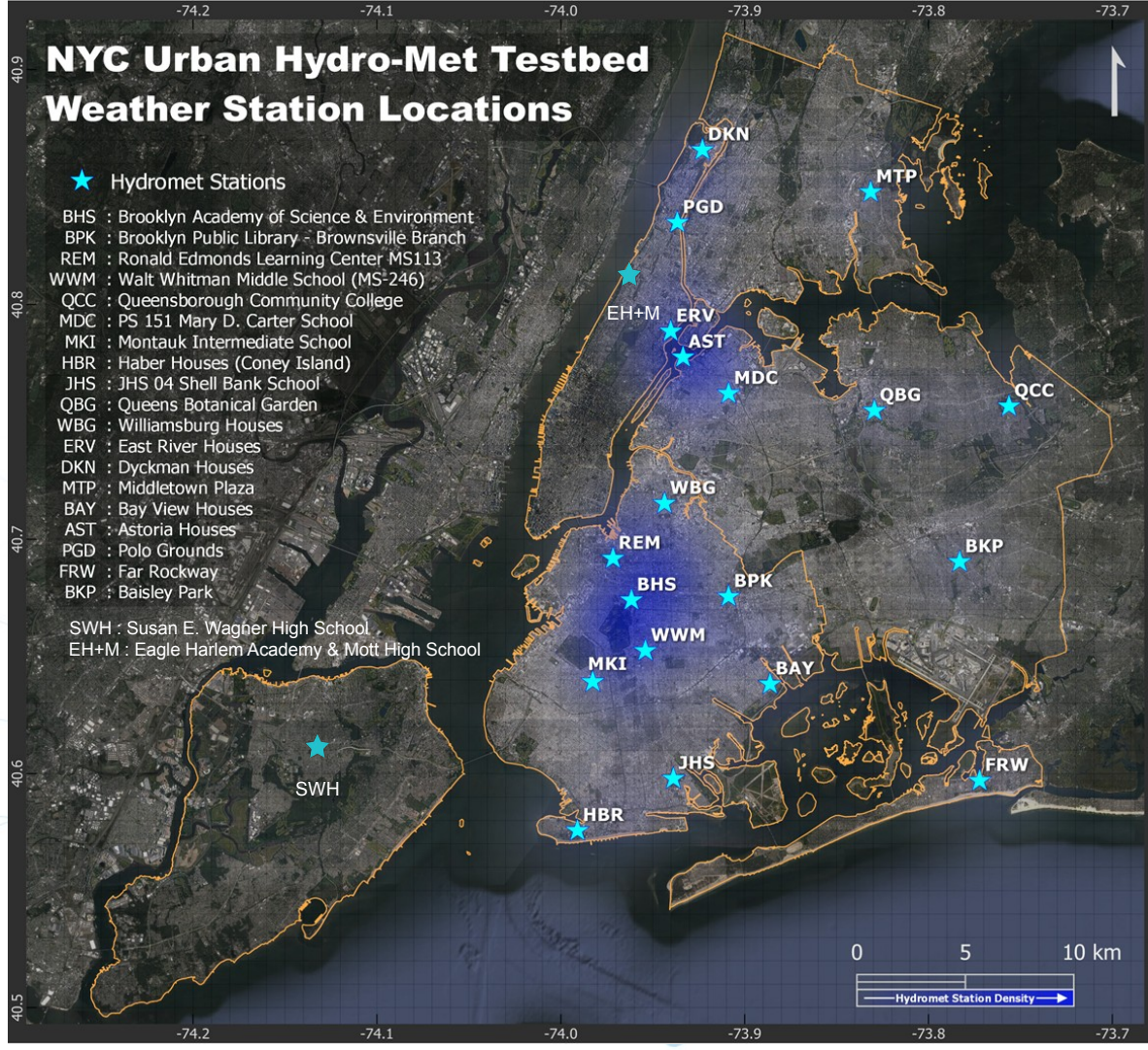
The New York Urban Hydro-meteorological Testbed (NY-uHMT) project uses autonomous weather stations to collect comprehensive, real-time data on meteorological and hydrological conditions in New York City regions.



NYC Urban Hydro-Met Testbed Weather Station Locations

★ Hydromet Stations

- BHS : Brooklyn Academy of Science & Environment
- BPK : Brooklyn Public Library - Brownsville Branch
- REM : Ronald Edmonds Learning Center MS113
- WWM : Walt Whitman Middle School (MS-246)
- QCC : Queensborough Community College
- MDC : PS 151 Mary D. Carter School
- MKI : Montauk Intermediate School
- HBR : Haber Houses (Coney Island)
- JHS : JHS 04 Shell Bank School
- QBG : Queens Botanical Garden
- WBG : Williamsburg Houses
- ERV : East River Houses
- DKN : Dyckman Houses
- MTP : Middletown Plaza
- BAY : Bay View Houses
- AST : Astoria Houses
- PGD : Polo Grounds
- FRW : Far Rockway
- BKP : Baisley Park
- SWH : Susan E. Wagher High School
- EH+M : Eagle Harlem Academy & Mott High School



Mapping the
Location of
Autonomous
Weather
Stations

- Establishing Partnerships
- Hosting Community Dialogues
- Offering Technical Assistance
- Providing Education and Training



Build upon
existing NOAA
EPP/MSI CSC
Education and
Training Models



Recruitment & Outreach

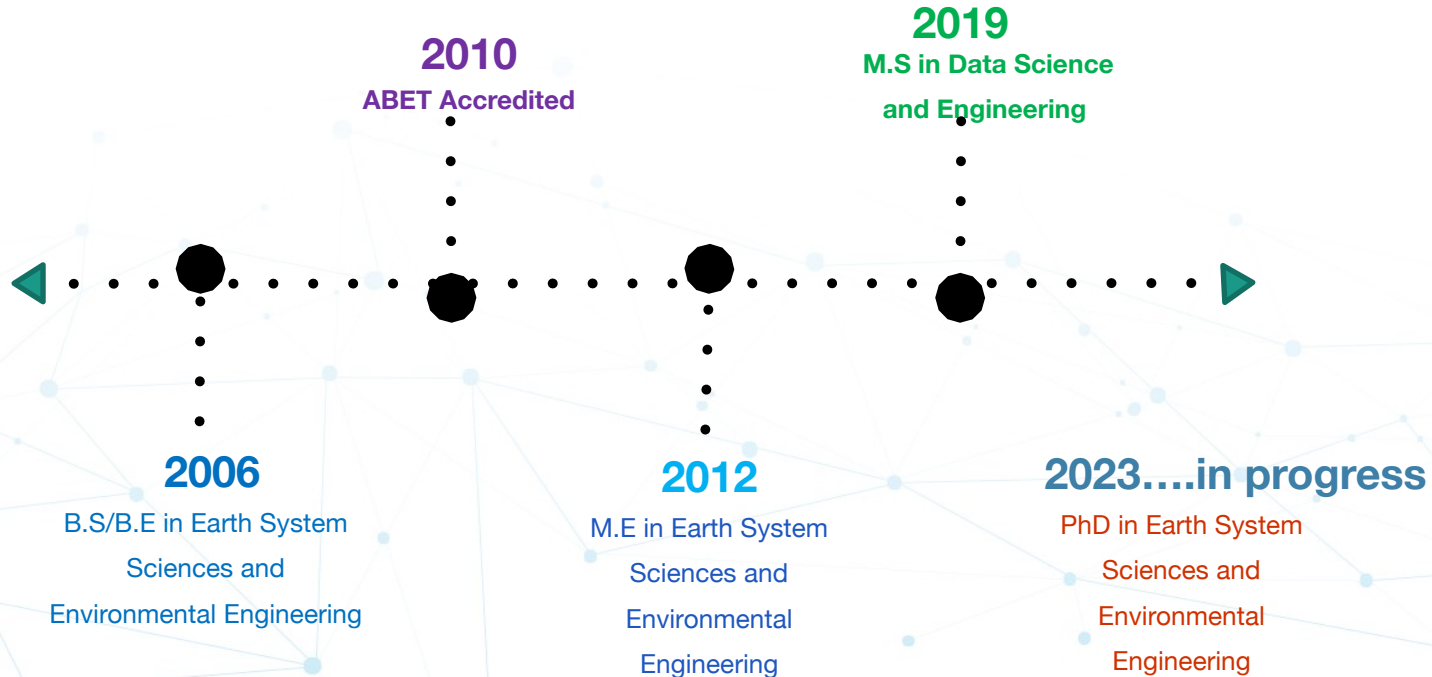
Private – Academia-Federal Synergy

Summer Bridge and Pathways

NERTO and other NOAA internships

Building capacity (or lack of?) within MSIs/HBCUs
R1 Institutions, challenges and opportunities for
(all – faculty, staff, students)

Major Academic Programs Developed in Last 20 Years Through NOAA Partnership at CUNY



20 years
Of NOAA Investments

3 Academic Programs
(Supported in the formulation of two Academic
& one Certification Programs at CUNY and
Hampton U.)

**25 NOAA Mission related
STEM courses**

Discussion Topics

- What government-university programs/projects have worked to engage students vs. which ones have not...and why?
- What is the best role for the private sector in building a diverse cadre of scientists and engineers? What can we do better in government and academia to partner with the private sector?
- What are the barriers for underrepresented groups to contribute to UFS development?
- How can we improve UFS public releases, tutorials, training, user support, and community outreach to make UFS more accessible to all?



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