

Sapelo Island National Estuarine Research Reserve (SINERR)

Research Opportunities

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***Five* categories of research opportunities
with SINERR on Sapelo Island...**

- 1) Researcher-led, on-island field studies hosted/facilitated by SINERR Research Program:**
 - a) initial conversation with Rachel Guy (Res. Coord.)**
 - b) submit Research Request online (to Rachel)**
 - c) SINERR arranges logistics: ferry reservations, transportation, lodging, etc.**
 - d) researcher is responsible for any permits, etc.**
 - e) periodic site visits work best**

2) NERRS Science Collaborative (nationwide)

- a) Research Grants – up to 3 yrs, \$250K/yr**
 - 1) must address Reserve “Management Need”**
 - 2) must involve significant upfront collaboration with Reserve**
 - 3) “user driven,” results for end-users**
- b) Catalyst Grants – 1 yr, \$45-200K**
- c) Science Transfer – new products or outreach, no new data collection (2022 RFP announced Oct. 6)**

3) “Vendor Services” to SINERR

a) Contract (Agreement) with university

- 1) services and/or products needed by SINERR**
- 2) amount by mutual agreement (e.g., \$20-30K)**
- 3) term by mutual agreement (e.g., summer)**
- 4) not “research,” but data can be used by researcher for publications**
- 5) SINERR will host/facilitate on-island logistics (can also be done through UGA Marine Institute)**

4) regular research collaborations (i.e., co-P.I.)

- a) proposals to NOAA, NSF, USFWS, NFWF, etc.**
- b) if you have an interest, give Rachel a call**

5) *NERRS Margaret A. Davidson Graduate Fellowship*

- a) Wil Atencio – 2022-2024 Fellow (GA Southern)**
- b) Sydney Williams – 2020-2022 Fellow (UFL)**

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Thanks!

Future Restoration Opportunities?

- **\$2.6B to NOAA under Inflation Reduction Act**
 - **\$\$ to NERRS, CZM, Sea Grant???**