

**MEDIA ALERT**

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**WHO: Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi Officials and Students in the Coastal and Marine System Science and Marine Biology Doctoral Programs**

**WHAT: Celebration of Doctoral Programs**

**WHEN: Monday, Oct. 13, from 4-6 p.m.**

**WHERE: Harte Research Institute for Gulf of Mexico Studies, First-Floor Conference Room**

**Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi's College of Science and Technology Celebrates Doctoral Programs**

CORPUS CHRISTI, Texas – The College of Science and Technology at Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi will hold a celebration for its Coastal and Marine System Sciences, and Marine Biology doctoral programs Monday, Oct. 13, from 4-6 p.m. in the Harte Research Institute first-floor conference room.

The Coastal and Marine System Science program, which is in its third year, is highly-interdisciplinary, focusing on integrative concepts linking biogeochemistry, geographic information science, ecosystem dynamics and quantitative modeling. The new Marine Biology program utilizes the resources of A&M-Corpus Christi, Texas A&M University and Texas A&M University-Galveston, to offer joint interdisciplinary masters and doctoral degrees.

University President Flavius Killebrew, Dr. Harvey Knull, dean of Graduate Studies, and Dr. Frank Pezold, dean of the College of Science and Technology, will speak about the programs. Pezold will also introduce the students in the programs.

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