

Bamfield Marine Sciences Centre ^[1]

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The Bamfield Marine Sciences Centre ^[2] (BMSC) is a shared campus of the Universities of Victoria, British Columbia, Alberta, Calgary, and Simon Fraser University.

Perched on the outer west coast of Vancouver Island, BMSC provides access to a remarkable diversity of marine, terrestrial, freshwater, and cultural sites of the North East Pacific basin. With 3,000 sq m of modern laboratory space, it can support research in almost any field of study.

Situated in the town of Bamfield ^[3], within the traditional territory of the Huu-ay-aht First Nation ^[4] in Barkley Sound, and adjacent to the Pacific Rim National Park Reserve ^[5], BMSC offers unparalleled access to a wide array of environments, including unique coastal, marine, and rainforest habitats, and exceptional species diversity.

BMSC was established in 1972 by the Western Canadian Universities Marine Sciences Society (WCUMSS) in order to provide a permanent base for marine-oriented field research ^[6] and marine science education ^[7] on the west coast of Canada. WCUMSS has a mandate to:

- Provide world-class research infrastructure for marine and coastal scientists from the member universities and from other Canadian and International institutes
- Offer senior undergraduate and graduate courses and programs in marine and coastal sciences
- Provide training for graduate students, post-doctoral fellows, and technicians in practical aspects of marine and coastal research
- Offer in-residence programs in marine biology and general science to schools, colleges, First Nations. and other public groups

BMSC provides ongoing logistical support for Ocean Networks Canada operations in Folger Passage and Barkley Sound, including ship and dive-based maintenance on our Folger Pinnacle instrument platform.

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