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Narragansett Bay National Estuarine Research Reserve on Prudence Island, RI

Immerse yourself in the beautiful setting of the Narragansett Bay Research Reserve on Prudence Island where you will learn about current research and monitoring projects from Reserve staff. Return to your classroom with techniques for outdoor data collection and lessons using local data to share with your students. We'll also be joined by Maja Nielsen, URI graduate student, who will share her research on blue crab populations and their impacts on saltmarsh ecosystems. We'll discover what critters call the salt marsh home through various sampling techniques before taking our observations back to the classroom to map out food webs and consequences of shifting species composition. Workshop content is most applicable for middle and high school science teachers.

- Explore coastal habitats and conduct field investigations
- Meet Reserve scientists and learn about current monitoring projects
- Bring local and national data into your classroom



Workshop is FREE, including shared dorm-style lodging and meals on Prudence Island.

Register now as space is limited to 10 educators. Contact Maureen Dewire, Education Coordinator to register: maureen.dewire@dem.ri.gov.



Teachers on the Estuary (TOTE) is a program of the National Estuarine Research Reserve System.