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All material will be handed out in class.

Assignments: You are expected to keep up with the readings and to hand in any homework assignments.  
You are also responsible for leading two of the discussions. For the topics in which you serve as leader, you will work with a partner to choose the readings, determine homework assignments, provide in-class handouts, produce a presentation for the class, and lead the discussion.

Grading: Class participation (40%)  
Leading discussions (30%)  
Written assignments (30%)
Topics in Coastal Marine Policy (MARS/ANTH 8210) Spring 2016

Jan 6  General background; Law of the Sea; "UNCLOS in the news"

Jan 13 Federal legislation I: National Environmental Policy Act; Endangered Species Act; "NEPA and ESA in the news"

Jan 20 Federal Legislation II: Clean Water Act; Coastal Zone Management Act; "Clean Water Act in the news"

Jan 27 CZMA: State cases

Feb 3 National Ocean policy; Governor's Alliances (student topic)

Feb 10 Internat’l Coastal Management (student topic); Offshore energy (student topic)

Feb 17 Paris agreement (student topic); Climate change-local policy (student topic)

Feb 24 EPA Science Advisory Board (Guest speaker: Jim Sanders); Communicating scientific uncertainty (Guest speaker: Mona Behl)

Mar 3 Flood insurance and takings (Guest speaker: Shana Jones); shoreline protection (student topic)

Mar 10 SPRING BREAK

Mar 17 Georgia coastal legislation; Marsh committee (Guest speaker: Clark Alexander)

Mar 24 Water wars (student topic); Ports (student topic)

Mar 31 Florida Everglades (student topic); CALFED (student topic)

Apr 7 Fishery management history; Fishery Management Councils (student topic)

Apr 14 Marine protected areas (student topic); ITQ game

Apr 21 Science & Policy; Adaptive management (student examples)