

Student Organization Report

President

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Student Organization Budget

- Well funded by FIU's Graduate Student Association
 - ca. \$600.00 per fall and spring semesters
 - Expected 2008 – 2009
 - \$400.00 per semester
- Student Travel Fund FCE-LTER
 - \$5,000.00 per year

Student Organization Activities

- Fall 2007
 - First Friday – socializing is fun!
 - Oliva's Practice Proposal and BBQ
 - Halloween Movie Night
 - Ice Skating Night
- Spring 2008
 - Pizza lunches with ecology job candidates
 - Triggered landslide of faculty interest of student opinion
 - End of the year BBQ at Crandon Park
 - Date: TBA
 - Update student website information

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- Reading Groups
 - Do you have a reading group?
 - Would you like to start a reading group?
- Students can use the space
 - Quiet study
 - Practice a seminar
 - Talk science

Congratulations to

PhD Dissertation

- Min Gao (2007)
 - Chemical characterization of soil organic matter in an oligotrophic, subtropical, freshwater wetland system: Sources, diagenesis and preservation. Ph.D. dissertation, Florida International University.

Master's thesis

- Bryan Delius (2007)
 - Distribution and trophic position of juvenile bull sharks in an oligotrophic estuary. Master's thesis, Florida International University.
- David Green (2007)
 - Community structure and physiological stresses of oligohaline zone fishes in south Florida. Master's thesis, Florida International University.
- Danielle Mir-Gonzalez (2007)
 - Groundwater nutrient availability controls on nearshore benthic community structure in Biscayne Bay, Florida. Master's thesis, Florida International University.
- David Reed (2007)
 - Effects of hydrology and light on seedling establishment and growth of four wetland tree species in tree islands of northern Shark Slough, Everglades National Park. Master's thesis, Florida International University.

Student Scientific Publications

- **Gibson PJ**, Boyer JN, Smith NP (2008) *Estuaries and Coasts* 31: 21-32
- **Williams CJ**, Boyer JN, Jochem FJ (2008) *Estuaries and Coasts* 31: 204-214
- **Gao M**, Simoneit BRT , Gantar M, Jaffé R (2007) *Chemosphere* 70: 224-236
- Maie N, **Pisani O**, Jaffé R (2008) *Limnology and Oceanography* 53: 160-171
- Maie N, Scully NM, **Pisani O**, Jaffé R (2007) *Water Research* 41: 563-570
- **Xu Y**, Holmes CW, Jaffé R (2007) *Estuarine, Coastal and Shelf Science* 73: 201-210
- **Xu Y**, Jaffé R (2007) *Marine Environmental Research* 64: 666-678

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- **Ruehl CB**, DeWitt TJ (2007) Journal of Experimental Marine Biology and Ecology 349:284-294
- **Poret N**, Twilley RR, Rivera-Monroy VH, Coronado-Molina C (2007) Estuaries and Coasts 30: 491-496
- Rivera-Monroy VH, Twilley RR, Mancera JE, Alcantara-Eguren A, **Castaneda-Moya E**, Monroy CO, Reyes P, Restrepo J, Perdomo L, Campos E, Cotes G, Villoria E (2007) Ecotropicos 19: 72-93
- **Ruiz-Halpern S**, Macko SA and Fourqurean JW (In Press) Biogeochemistry
- Frankovich TA, Armitage AR, Fourqurean JW, **Wachnicka AH**, and Gaiser EE (In review) Journal of Phycology