

Study at The Duke University Marine Lab (DUML) Frequently Asked Questions Academic Year 2025-2026

Please note that information provided below is subject to change.

Am I eligible to study at the Duke Marine Lab?

- Before considering the Marine Lab, please visit the [DUML website](#) to familiarize yourself with the environment and opportunities it offers.
- DKU students can apply to study at DUML during Fall semesters. It is the same application window as Duke Fall 2025/Spring 2026 cycle. For DUML Fall applicants, you may be contacted by DUML separately for evaluation.

When can I apply for DUML Fall Term?

- DKU students can apply study at DUML Fall Term in the Duke Fall 2025/Spring 2026 Application cycle. This is a one-term application cycle. Failure to apply in this cycle will result in your ineligibility to apply for a study away term at Duke Marine Lab.

If I applied to study at Duke Marine Lab Fall Term, can I request to transfer to Durham Fall/Spring Term?

- For DUML Fall Term applicant, if you are not accepted by DUML, you'll be considered a seat on Durham campus either Fall term or Spring term depending on the capacity.
- If you have received the acceptance notification for Duke Marine Lab Fall Term, you may have the option to request to study in Durham campus. Please follow the email instruction.

What airport should I travel to?

- If you are attending the Marine Lab program, there are three smaller airports located within an 85-mile radius of Beaufort, NC: Jacksonville, NC (60 miles), Wilmington NC (85 miles), and, the closest of the three, Coastal Carolina Regional Airport in New Bern, NC (40 miles). From New Bern, you can reach the Marine Lab by taxi, or the Lab may coordinate airport pick-up from this location. The Raleigh Durham Airport (RDU) is 160 miles away from the Duke Marine Lab. If you fly to RDU, plan to coordinate with other students for travel to Beaufort.