

Black In Marine Science Awarded

\$1.7 Million Grant To Increase Racial Equity In Marine Science



Black In Marine Science Awarded \$1.77 Million Grant to Foster Diversity in Marine Science in Collaboration with Hampton University

Black In Marine Science (BIMS) is proud to announce that they have been awarded a grant of \$1,769,671.00 to support their upcoming collaborative project with Hampton University, Marine and Environmental Science Department, who also received a grant, for a total of 3 Million in National Science Foundation Funding. This partnership will focus on increasing the representation of black individuals in the marine science field.

This initiative aims to encourage the participation of high school students of color in marine science fields and engage undergraduates with culturally relevant curricula. The ultimate goal is to create a diverse pool of talented individuals who can contribute to the scientific community and assist in addressing the challenges of our planet's changing climate.

"We are thrilled to receive this grant and partner with my alma mater, Hampton University, to increase diversity in the marine science field. This initiative aligns with our mission to create a more inclusive and equitable scientific community. We look forward to working towards our goals and making a positive impact," said BIMS Founder and CEO Dr. Tiara Moore.

This grant will provide critical support to help them achieve their mission. They are grateful to have the opportunity to work with Hampton University to make a meaningful impact in marine science.

About Black In Marine Science

Black in Marine Science started as a week to highlight Black voices in the field and encourage younger generations while shedding light on the lack of diversity in marine science. It began with a tweet from Dr. Tiara Moore and grew to a team of organizers putting together an online event. The initial #BlackInMarineScienceWeek of events created a community of Black marine scientists that was much needed during the isolation of the COVID-19 pandemic.

After the initial success, a 501(c)(3) non-profit was formed to continue amplifying Black voices and inspiring younger generations. Today, the organization creates outreach opportunities and internships for aspiring scientists and is developing a documentary highlighting nutrient pollution impacts on Black communities. www.bims.org

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