

# Advocacy 101 – NDI CGS 2023

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### The University of New Hampshire's Location





## A classic college town in a seacoast setting

Durham is an idyllic New England college location with a small-town friendliness and welcoming nature that pairs perfectly with the proximity to big-city opportunities. New Hampshire and Maine's rocky beaches are just moments away. Head north and in an hour you're in New England ski country; take the bus, train or a car one hour south, and you're in the heart of bustling Boston.



Concord Law School



**UNH Manchester** 



Durham (Main Campus)



White Mountains



Boston, MA



University of New Hampshire

### UNH is New Hampshire's flagship public research university.

#### About UNH

- Founded 1866
- 15,000+ students
- 2,000+ graduate students
- Campuses: Durham, Manchester & Concord (Law)

- Top-tier research "R1" Carnegie designation
- \$190M annual research expenditure
- Land-, Sea-, and Space-grant institution
- Stood up COVID testing lab







- Relationships, relationships, relationships!
- Find ways to slow down the game. Maximizing the work you're already doing to make graduate education more visible.
- Find ways to highlight the strengths of your colleagues.



3MT - Engaging Stakeholders on and Beyond Campus as Audience Members and Judges

- Sponsorship Funds prizes and lunches
- Trainings Include faculty
- Judges Trustees, UNH President,
- Invite Upper administration, program heads, institutional communication office, alumni
- Celebrity (e.g., NHPR)
- Outreach, Advancement, library, coffee shops, etc.



# Create themed events with Colleges targeted towards alumni



# The Living Bridge Project at the Music Hall Loft

SEACOAST ALUMNI NETWORK



#### Making Waves With UNH And The Seacoast



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**Ocean Engineering** 



New Hampshire

**Ocean Mapping** 

#### **Marine Biology**

# **Our Marine Calls to Action**



### COASTAL RESILIENCE AND RESTORATION ECOLOGY LAB

University of New Hampshire NH Coastal Habitat Restoration Team



Jenny Gibson (Lab Tech)



Creightanya Brewley (MS)



Alex Sangermano (MS)



Kailey Little (UG)



Hanna Mogensen (MS)



Ayden Jacobs (UG)



Emily Dutton (MS)



Marjorie Mednikova (PhD)









Mike Routhier (PhD)

### NEW HAMPSHIRE – BASED RESEARCH FOCUS











# **Seacoast Sips of Science**

#### **Purpose:**

 Host UNH grad students, faculty and staff at local breweries to communicate cutting-edge research to the public in a relaxed + accessible atmosphere

#### **Outcomes:**

• Initiated in 2022; 13 events to date, featuring talks from 40 speakers and 500+ audience members at 7 local sites

#### **Co-Benefits:**

- Large community demand (at capacity for multiple events)
- UNH visibility and reputation
- Relationship-building for researchers, audience members, etc.
- Research communications practice







### Student Success – Alumni Tracking First Destination Survey

- 68% response + knowledge
  96% employed/education
- 92% UNH graduate degree helped meet career goals
- Use in recruitment
- Work with Career Services to focus on employers who recruit graduate students
- Share college breakdowns with Deans





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