

David Kerstetter

Biography

Dr. Kerstetter received his B.A. ('95) in Political Science from Edinboro University of Pennsylvania and a Master of Public Policy ('98) (specializing in Regulatory Policy) from the College of William & Mary, as well as his M.S. ('02) and Ph.D. ('05) degrees in Marine Science from the College of William & Mary/Virginia Institute of Marine Science. While in graduate school, he was selected as a 1999 NOAA Sea Grant Knauss Marine Policy Fellow, during which he served in the International Fisheries Division of the NOAA Office of Sustainable Fisheries. After graduation, he completed post-doctoral research positions at the College of William & Mary/Virginia Institute of Marine Science and the Cooperative Institute for Marine and Atmospheric Studies, a collaboration between NOAA and the University of Miami-Rosenstiel School of Marine and Atmospheric Sciences.

Dr. Kerstetter is currently a Professor in the Department of Marine and Environmental Sciences, Halmos College of Arts and Sciences at Nova Southeastern University, where he is also the Chair of the Nova Southeastern University IACUC. His areas of research interest include fisheries ecology (e.g., age/growth, diet, behavior), fish physiology, fisheries bycatch reduction, international fisheries management and policy, invasive species ecology, avian parasitology, and avian ecology, with over 60 publications in peer-reviewed scientific journals. He has been a Certified Fisheries Professional with the American Fisheries Society since 2008.

Nationally, Dr. Kerstetter serves on several advisory bodies with NOAA, including the U.S. ICCAT Advisory Committee and the Atlantic Pelagic Longline Take Reduction Team. He is a long-standing member of several ichthyological and ornithological scientific organizations, including the American Fisheries Society, the American Elasmobranch Society, and the Waterbird Society. He is currently an Associate Editor for Florida Field Naturalist and has served as an Associate Editor for the North American Journal of Fisheries Management and Frontiers in Marine Science.