

# Sea Grant Reef Fish Extension Fellowship

December 2021

Council Staff

#### The Project

- Multi-Sea Grant Extension Team (Gulf and South Atlantic)
  - PI: Dr. Marcus Drymon (Mississippi-Alabama Sea Grant)

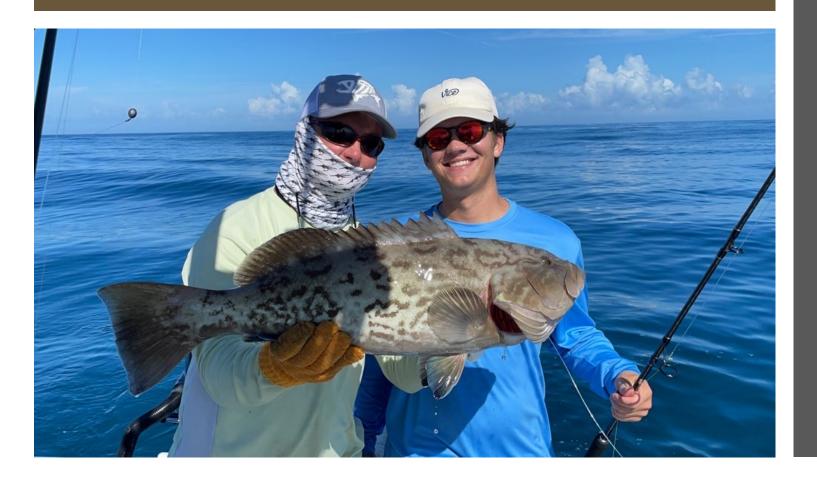
- Develop and implement extension & outreach programming related to data & information on Reef Fish
  - Great Red Snapper Count in the Gulf of Mexico
  - Great Red Snapper Count in the U.S. South Atlantic waters
  - Greater Amberjack Count
  - General extension for barotrauma mitigation/descending devices



#### The Project

- Develop materials, support training for fishermen & build capacity for reef fisheries extension.
- Annual surveys to:
  - identify research needs across Southeast & Gulf of Mexico
  - understand how stakeholders' attitudes, perceptions and beliefs about reef fish management change over time
- Support for a Reef Fish Extension Fellowship to work under South Atlantic Council staff & Regional Sea Grant Offices

### Reef Fish Extension Fellowship



- 4 Year Fellowship in the South Atlantic
  - Two 2-year terms
- Serve as a liaison between South Atlantic Regional Sea Grant offices and the South Atlantic Council
- Support outreach and communication efforts for reef fish, otherwise known as snapper grouper, in the South Atlantic











#### The South Atlantic Team

• NC Sea Grant: Scott Baker

• FL Sea Grant: Angela Collins, Shelly Krueger, & Ana Zangroniz



- SC Sea Grant: Graham Gaines
- GA Sea Grant: Bryan Fluech •

• Council: Cameron Rhodes

## Job Duties

- Assist with Council outreach programming
  - Tackle Shop Tours
  - Best Fishing Practices
  - Media Tours
- Facilitate communications among Council, Sea Grant & relevant stakeholders



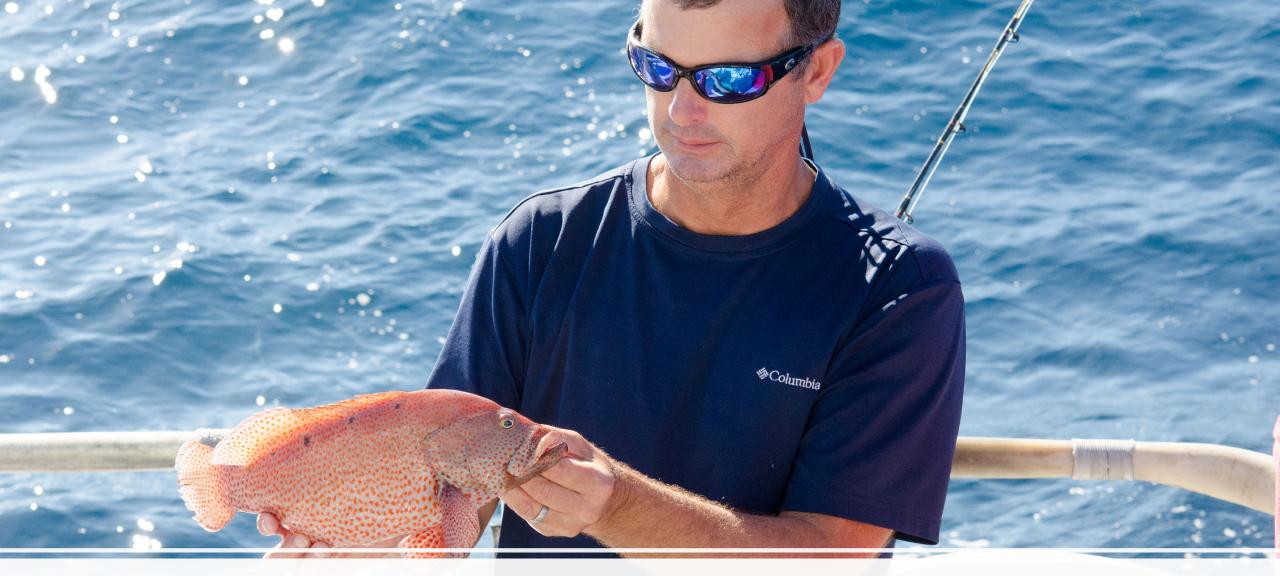
#### Job Duties

- Participate in outreach activities relevant to the Greater Amberjack and South Atlantic Red Snapper research projects
- Attend regional meetings to discuss/plan pertinent outreach and communications strategies with partners and stakeholder groups
- Organize reef fish research symposium-style meetings to highlight relevant research coming out of the region

## Tentative Timeline

- Interviews in November
- Onboarding specialist in December or January
- Project planning early 2022





#### Questions?

