

## RESEARCH AREAS

### **freshwater organisms**

- taxonomy and systematics
- life history and behavior
- community structure and dynamics

### **ecology**

- primary and secondary production
- food webs and trophic cascades
- nutrient cycles
- organic matter processing

### **processes affecting ecosystem function**

- fluvial geomorphology
- floodplain dynamics
- ecohydrology

### **applications of freshwater science**

- habitat assessment
- water quality monitoring
- conservation and restoration
- aquatic ecotoxicology



## HABITATS OF STUDY

Most of the focus is on rivers and streams. Members also work in lakes, reservoirs, riparian areas, wetlands, groundwater and estuaries.

## CONNECT WITH SFS

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**SOCIETY FOR  
FRESHWATER  
SCIENCE**

[www.freshwater-science.org](http://www.freshwater-science.org)

## WHO WE ARE

The Society for Freshwater Science (SFS) is an international organization whose purpose is to promote further understanding of freshwater ecosystems and ecosystems at the interface between aquatic and terrestrial habitats.

The society fosters exchange of scientific information among members, and with other professional societies, resource managers, policy makers, educators, and the public.

## ANNUAL MEETING

SFS members come together for the annual meeting in May each year, usually in North America. This is an important opportunity to exchange research outcomes, learn new skills through workshops and build networks of colleagues. Check the SFS website for details about upcoming meetings.



## MEMBERSHIP

SFS has almost 1800 members from more than 50 countries, including many student members.

When you become a member in this vital society, you will receive access to:

- SFS publications
- reduced fees for annual meeting
- student awards
- SFS membership directory
- professional taxonomic certification

## SFS RESOURCES

publications

- *Freshwater Science* (peer-reviewed journal)
- *In the Drift* (newsletter)

For more information, go to:

[www.freshwater-science.org/Other-Publications.aspx](http://www.freshwater-science.org/Other-Publications.aspx)

other outreach resources

- Making Waves (SFS podcast)
- image library online
- video library online
- educational resource materials
- Benthos listserv

## MENTORING

INSTARS is a mentoring program for undergraduate students from under-represented groups interested in freshwater science. The aim of the program is to inspire and excite students about our science by offering activities with other undergraduates, graduate student mentors, and professional SFS members.



## APPLY FOR MEMBERSHIP

Anyone can become a member of the Society for Freshwater Science, including researchers, managers, students and educators. Apply online at [www.freshwater-science.org](http://www.freshwater-science.org).

