# **American Meteorological Society**

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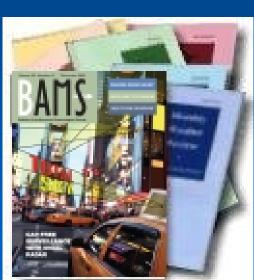


#### The American Meteorological Society

#### Mission:

To advance the atmospheric and related sciences, technologies, applications, and services for the benefit of society.

- Founded in 1919
- Approximately 14,000 members
- Publishes ten leading journals
- Organizes over a dozen conferences annually
- Certifies consultants and broadcasters
- Has many student and educational programs



#### **AMS** Journals

Journal of the Atmospheric Sciences
Journal of Applied Meteorology and Climatology
Journal of Physical Oceanography
Monthly Weather Review
Journals of Atmospheric and Oceanic Technology
Journal of Climate
Weather and Forecasting
Journal of Hydrometeorology
Earth Interactions
Weather, Climate, and Society



Over 27,000 pages published annually. (AMS also publishes one or two books each year.)

#### Meetings

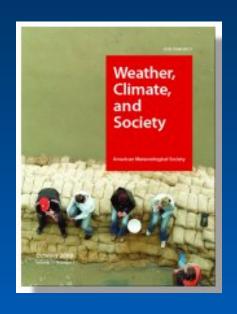
Annual Meeting
Specialty Conferences
Co-sponsored Meetings and Workshops
Short Courses



The Annual Meeting (usually in January) encompasses over a dozen conferences and symposia and there are another six to ten specialty meetings that occur during the year, serving a total of about 4000 attendees annually. Exhibits by 100+companies is a major component of the annual meeting, with some other meetings also having exhibits.



#### Weather, Climate, and Society



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Editor in Chief:

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Weather, Climate, and, Society is the newest journal of the AMS. It is interdisciplinary, international, scholarly journal covering environmental policy and societal impacts.

It includes research articles, essays, and forum pieces.

## AMS Policy Program (APP)

Mission: To strengthen the connection between public policy and Earth system science and services by building policy research and by creating opportunities for policymakers and scientists to engage and exchange perspectives to foster betterinformed policy decisions.



#### Five Strategic Goals:

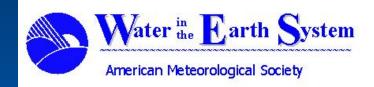
- Prepare scientists to contribute effectively to the policy process
- Keep policymakers abreast of scientific advances and their relevance
- Foster meaningful collaborations between scientists and policymakers
- Develop the needed policy research
- Share our vision and results

## K-13 Education Program

The AMS Education Program operates out of the Washington DC office of the AMS, in areas of teacher enhancement and online courses at the undergraduate level.

- Project ATMOSPHERE
- The Maury Project
- Datastreme Atmosphere
- Datastreme WES
- Datastreme Ocean
- Online Weather Studies
- Online Ocean Studies
- Datastreme Earth's Climate System









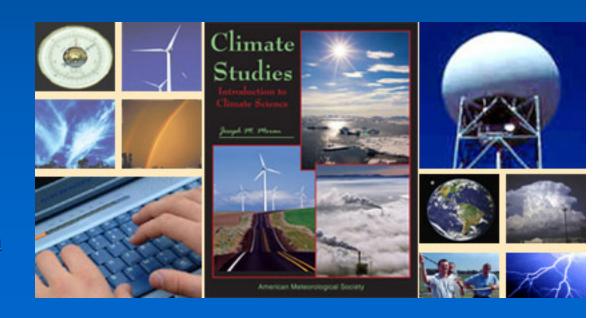


#### K-13 Education Program

The impact of AMS teacher enhancement programs:

- ~15,000 teachers completed graduate-level course
- > 135,000 teachers received content through peer training
- > 2,700,000 students directly impacted during the semester of the teacher training (total impact much larger)

Teacher courses and online courses on climate are latest additions, with pilot courses offered now, with full implementation scheduled for fall 2010.



#### Certification Programs

- The Certified Consulting Meteorologist (CCM) program
  - About 350 active
- The Radio and Television Seal of Approval Program
  - About 1000 active
- The Certified Broadcast Meteorologist Program (CBM, began January 2005)
  - About 400 so far







The AMS Web site contains full descriptions for each of these programs.

## Local AMS Chapters

• The AMS has over 100 local and student chapters across the U.S.

• These operate as autonomous organizations serving local professionals and enthusiasts.

• The Chapters carry out many important outreach activities at the local level.

