

***A NEW Mini-Course in “Citizen Science & Sustainability”***  
*from the NW Center for Sustainability and Innovation*



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## **Citizen Science: What’s In Seafood, What’s in the Water, and How Can I Help?**

***Where: On the Puget Sound (Skagit, San Juan Counties), OR just online!***  
***When: 4 two/three hr. meetings, Tues-Thurs, Summer 2010***

*This short course offers student-centered, engaging experiences for all ages. It can stand alone, and it can be a gateway to deeper learning (ask how)!*

***Themes:*** What’s in my favorite seafoods? What should I do with info I’ve seen about “seafood to avoid”? Learn to collect/interpret scientific data about water and seafood. Help clean up the water and make seafood safer to eat!

***Activities:*** Visit ‘hot spots’, see/learn water and seafood sampling protocols. Do/observe lab tests for key bacteria and chemicals. See/learn about an innovative Citizen Science lab. Engage in experiential activities to understand how we affect water and marine life. Explore the science behind “safe seafood” websites and fish advisories, and learn field science techniques involving toxics. Get to know groups working on these issues, find out how to test your favorite seafood, and become part of the solution!

***Instructor:*** Steve Hoffman, Ph.D., international consultant on sustainability issues, environmental educator since 1986; Executive Director, NW Center for Sustainability and Innovation, a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization.

***Tuition, Lab, Transportation Costs:*** Tuition is as low as we could get it: cost for 4 workshops plus at-home activities is \$125 per adult, or \$95 per child. For special family and ‘online only’ rates, click [here](#). We don’t want to turn anyone away for \$ reasons: let us know if you are in need. Those who do (optional) lab testing may need to cover lab costs. In-person students: please budget for a ferry trip to Friday Harbor. Space is limited, so sign up soon!

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