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Emily Powell

Dr. Powell is a research scientist at Florida State University's Center for Ocean-Atmospheric Prediction Studies (COAPS) and serves as the assistant state climatologist of Florida at the Florida Climate Center, the office of the state climatologist. Her work involves providing direct climate services, outreach, and applied research on the climate and weather of Florida. Her research broadly explores climate risks and vulnerability, and she works to understand the impacts of natural hazards and disasters on communities.

Emily has worked on climate adaptation and coastal resilience for nearly 15 years in the academic, nonprofit, and federal sectors across the Gulf Coast. Prior to Florida State University, she worked at National Wildlife Federation as their coastal adaptation and resilience manager. Emily also serves as the coordinator of the Florida Climate Institute at FSU, and the state coordinator of the Community Collaborative Rain, Hail & Snow Network (CoCoRaHS), a community-based network of volunteers to measure and map precipitation.



Denise Reed

Dr. Denise Reed works on coastal marsh sustainability and the role of human activities in modifying coastal systems with over 35 years of experience studying coastal issues in the United States and abroad. She has been involved in restoration and resilience planning in coastal Louisiana for over 3 decades, as well as in the California Bay-Delta, San Francisco Bay and Puget Sound, and has published extensively on the effects of sea-level rise on coastal marshes. Dr. Reed has served on numerous boards and panels addressing the effects of human alterations on coastal environments and the role of science in guiding restoration including the NOAA Science Advisory Board, the Chief of Engineers Environmental Advisory Board, and a number of National Academies' committees including Everglades restoration and sea level rise on the west coast. Dr. Reed received her B.S. degree in Geography from Sidney Sussex College, Cambridge and her M.A. and Ph.D. degrees from University of Cambridge, UK.



Debalina Sengupta

Dr. Sengupta is currently appointed as the Coastal Resilience Program Director for Texas Sea Grant at Texas A&M University, and has courtesy appointments as a fellow at the Institute of Science, Technology and Public Policy at the Bush School of Government and Social Service Institute and as a Graduate Faculty at the Artie McFerrin Department of Chemical Engineering. Previous to this, she has been the Associate Director of the TEES Gas and Fuels Research Center, and Water, Energy and Food Nexus Coordinator at Texas A&M Energy Institute. Dr. Sengupta served as co-PI or senior personnel on several multi-million-dollar Department of Energy (DOE) research projects from the RAPID Manufacturing USA Institute (Process Intensification) and the CESMII Manufacturing USA Institute (Smart Manufacturing).

Before coming to Texas, Dr. Sengupta has worked as a ORISE post-doctoral research