

LARA LATSHAW

OWSI, Specialty Instructor (PADI & SSI) **400+ Dives**

(Utila, Bahamas, Dominican Republic, The Red Sea, Socorro)

I began diving in early 2019 and quickly learned it means more to me than something to do while on vacation. I continued to dive while growing and expanding my businesses. In January 2022 I was able to move to Utila, Honduras and pursue my diving career.

WORK HISTORY

- August & September 2022 MSDT Internship, Utila Dive Center, Utila Honduras
- July 2022 Operation Wallacea Volunteer Divernaster
 - Lead groups of 4-6 young adults on youth scientific diving program including fish, coral and invertebrate identification, laying transects and quadrats, performing basic marine science projects.
 - Assist graduate students with scientific diving in completing University thesis projects.
 - o Assign and maintain and store dive gear.
 - o Perform check dives for students and manage any difficulties when diving.

SPECIALITIES

EFR Instructor

Care for Children w/AED Instructor Emergency Oxygen Provider Instructor

Self-Reliant Instructor

Adaptive Techniques Speciality Instructor

Deep Instructor

Enriched Air Instructor

Sidemount Instructor

Tech Rec Gas Blender Instructor

Peak Performance Buoyancy Instructor

Project Aware Instructor

AWARE Coral Reef Conservation Sp Instructor

Resort & Marina Operations

PADI Equipment Specialist

Caribbean Lionfish Containment Instructor

SKILLS

- Completed the GoEco program at UDC including fish, coral and invertebrate identification; coral nursery maintenance diver; coral health monitoring diver.
- Certified Scuba Magician
- Completed 40/45/50 Tec Course

EDUCATION

UDC

- OWSI March 2022
- Divemaster October 2021

Indiana State University

• Bachelor of Science 2003

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ADDITIONAL SKILLS

- Advanced Computer Skills
 - o Website Design
 - Microsoft Excel
 - Various Marketing Platforms
- Business Development and Management
 - o 10+ Year US Business Owner
 - Human Resources
 - Developing Operation Manuals and Training Manuals
- Public Speaking & Education
 - o Pet Tech CPR & First Aid Instructor 10+ years
 - Nominated Barkleigh Best Upcoming Speaker of the Year 2013
 - Teaching Business and Pet Grooming classes at conferences across the US
 - o Open Division Competition Groomer

ADDITIONAL WORK HISTORY

Owner - Gordon's Grooming LLC & Gordon's Feline Exclusive Grooming, Indiana

- 2012 Started Gordon's Grooming LLC, 192 sq feet
- 2016 Expanded into 2000 sq feet of space
- 2019 Opened second location
- 2020 Doubled space of second location, added self-pet wash
- 2021 Opened Feline Exclusive Salon

Chief Grooming Officer - Hydrodog Mobile Pet Grooming, Florida

- Assisted with grooming trailer design
- Wrote training and operations manuals
- Hired and trained employees
- Grew grooming fleet from one unit to 10 units in 2 years