

# MAINE MARITIME ACADEMY

A College of Engineering, Management, Science and Transportation

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## **Maine Maritime Academy Hires Yacht Donation Program Manager**

CASTINE, Maine—Maine Maritime Academy announced today that Joseph Lobley will join the Advancement Department in the position of Yacht Donation Program Manager. Joe comes to MMA after serving as an independent marine surveyor for the past 23 years. He brings a broad knowledge of the recreational and commercial vessel industry to the post. Joe will replace Jeffrey Loustaunau, who will retire in September after 18 years of service to the Academy.

Maine Maritime Academy's Yacht Donation Program accepts donations of boats, which are put to immediate use on the Academy's active waterfront; chartered; or, sold to raise funds to enhance the Academy's waterfront training and sailing programs.

"Donating a sail or power vessel to Maine Maritime Academy has a positive impact on all fronts; a donated boat supports our mission and waterfront programs, while potentially providing the donor with a year-end tax return, as gifts are tax-deductible," said Christopher Haley, Vice President for Advancement.

Hands-on training is a hallmark of an MMA education, where learning extends beyond the traditional classroom to sophisticated simulation laboratories, annual sea terms, training voyages, cadet shipping opportunities, cooperative learning experiences, and internships.

For information about the Yacht Donation Program at MMA, contact Joe Lobley at 207-557-5300 or email [joseph.lobley@mma.edu](mailto:joseph.lobley@mma.edu).

Maine Maritime Academy is a co-educational, public college on the coast of Maine offering 22 programs of study in engineering, management, science, and transportation. The college serves approximately 950 undergraduate and graduate students in career-oriented degree programs. The job placement rate for MMA graduates exceeds 90 percent within 90 days of graduation. The college is consistently recognized for providing a high-value education by organizations such as the Brookings Institution and U.S. News and World Report. For more information, visit [mainemaritime.edu](http://mainemaritime.edu).

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