

## **Physics 6321** **Coastal oceanography**

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- **Textbook:** A.E. Gill, *Atmosphere-ocean dynamics*, Academic Press (1982).

### **Reference Books:**

- G. T. Csanady, *Circulation in the Coastal Ocean*, Kluwer, Dordrecht (1984)
- J. Pedlosky, *Waves in the ocean and atmosphere*, Springer-Verlag, Berlin (2003).
- P.K. Kundu and I.M. Cohen, *Fluid Mechanics*, Academic Press, San Diego (2002)

### **Course Outline:**

- Review of the equations of motion: Mass, Momentum eqs., Coriolis, Stratification, Hydrostatic, Boussinesq Approximations, Shallow water eqs., Potential vorticity.
- Review of elementary models: Geostrophy, Ekman, Inertial oscillations.
- Response to wind. Seiches. Poincare and Kelvin waves
- Stratified fluid. Internal waves. Baroclinic instability. Upwelling.
- Flows over topography
- Gravity currents

### **Marking**

- Assignments - total 20%
- Mid-semester presentation/lecture - 20%
- Project - paper 40 % + final presentation 20%