

# **Puspa Adhikari, Ph.D.**

**Expert in marine and environmental chemistry at Florida Gulf Coast University**

Fort Myers, FL, US

Puspa Adhikari uses the ocean floor and water column to investigate the impact of Florida's red tide, organic pollutants and nutrients.

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## **Biography**

Puspa Adhikari is an assistant professor of marine sciences in The Water School at Florida Gulf Coast University. He uses the water and sediments from the ocean to analyze toxins like red tide and organic pollutants and nutrients. His research and teaching interests focus on sediment biogeochemistry, analytical chemistry and radiochemistry.

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## **Areas of Expertise**

Marine and Environmental Chemistry, Polycyclic Aromatic Hydrocarbons (PAHs), Organic Pollutants, Analytical Chemistry, Petroleum Geochemistry and Oil Fingerprinting, Gulf of Mexico, Deep Water Horizon Oil Spill, Sediment Biogeochemistry, Nutrients, Radiochemistry, Red Tide, Microplastics

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## **Affiliations**

American Geophysical Union : Member, The Oceanography Society : Member, Association for the Sciences of Limnology and Oceanography : Member, Environmental Graduates in Himalayan : Member, Resources Himalaya Foundation : Member

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## **Selected Event Appearances**

**Application of Natural Radioisotope Tracers to Understand Transport and Accumulation of PAHs in Marine Environments**

Gulf of Mexico Oil Spill & Ecosystem Science Conference

**Real time measurement of gas composition from live well fluids at drilling site**

Goldschmidt Conference

**Distribution and transport of particle-bound polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons in a river-influenced continental margin: the northern Gulf of Mexico**

American Geophysical Union Fall Meeting

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## **Education**

**Louisiana State University**

Ph.D. Chemical Oceanography

**University of Arkansas at Pine Bluff**  
M.S. Aquaculture and Fisheries

**Tribhuvan University**  
M.S. Environmental Science

**Tri-Chandra Multiple Campus, Tribhuvan University**  
B.S. Environmental Science

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