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Redfish School of Change: an International field school focused on socioecological movements in the Salish Sea

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Red Fish 

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IN THE FIELD, FOR THE FUTURE

Redfish School of Change: Salish Sea program

1. Three upper-division undergraduate courses taught as a block
 - a. Ethnoecology of the Salish Sea
 - b. Leadership Skills for Community Action
 - c. Fisheries and Ethics in the Salish Sea
2. Transboundary studentship
 - a. Collaboration between Western Washington University and University of Victoria
3. Community Action Project
 - a. Students engage in post-course projects that engage them in making positive differences in their own communities
4. Re-enchantment
 - a. For settler-colonists to learn about reconciliation processes in and around the Salish Sea

The Central Salish Sea
The Salish Sea extends from the north end of the Strait of Georgia to the south end of the Puget Sound and west to the mouth of the Strait of Juan de Fuca



Ethnoecology of the Salish Sea

Dr. Brenda Beckwith (UVic)



Leadership Skills for Community Action

Joe Loviska (WWU)



Fisheries and Environmental Ethics in the Salish Sea

Vanessa Minke-Martin (UBC)

Alexander Desmarais (WWU)









Learning from local leaders - Earl Claxton Jr.



Education

Education is the most powerful tool we have for creating a better world. It is the key to unlocking our potential and the power of our voices.

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Transform environmental education from being against something, to being for something.

Creating space for compassionate education (curiosity driven)

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Raising and educating children & youth

Respect & protect habitats

Supporting experiential education

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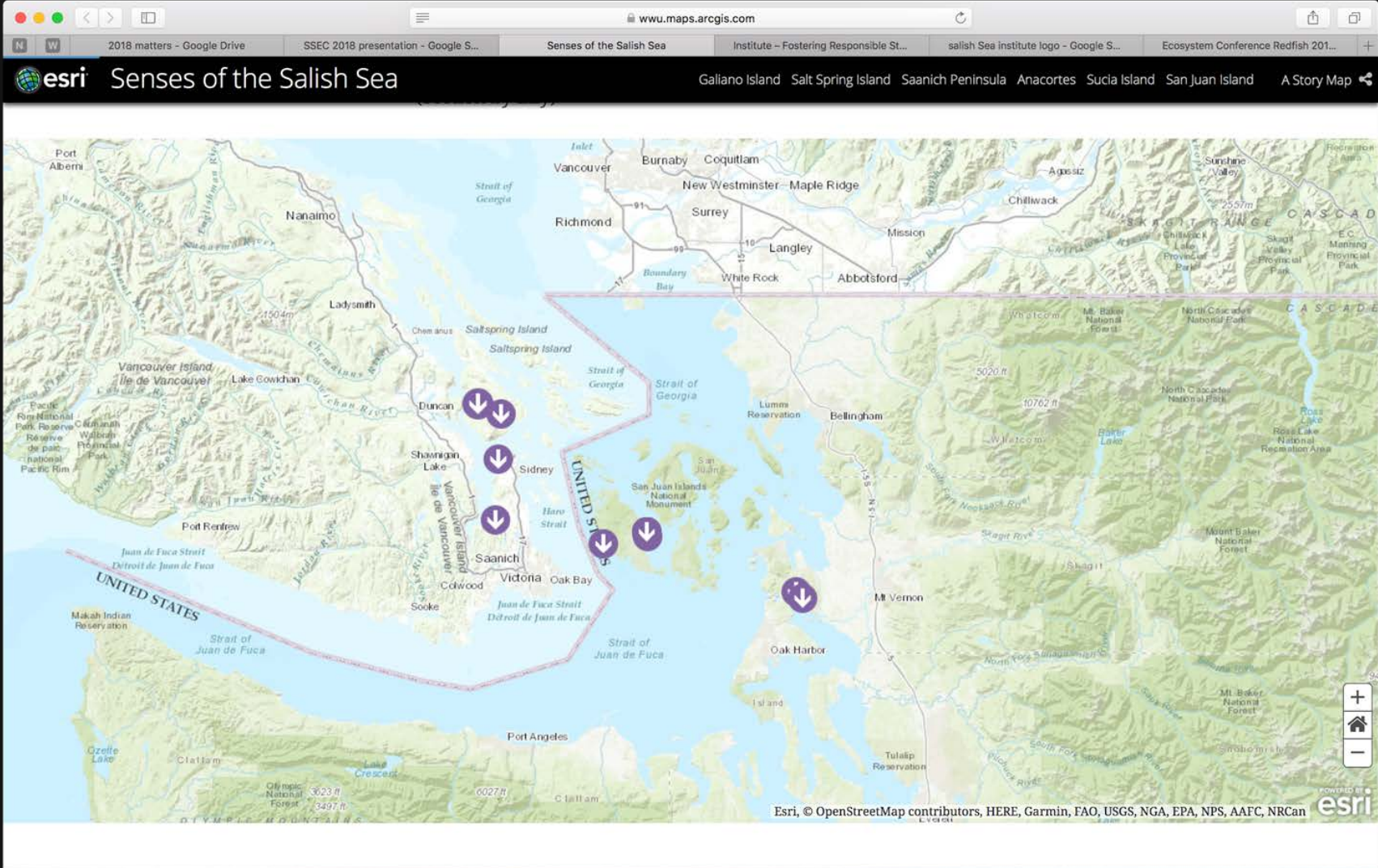












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Redfish School of Change: Key Elements

- Re-Enchantment
- International Programming
- Leadership Skills & Community Action
- Reconciliation/Decolonization Work

Redfish School of Change - future goals

1. Intergenerational program expansion
 - a. We have a good model for undergraduates
 - b. Professionals
 - c. Teachers
 - d. retirees
 - e. High school students
2. International non-profit development
 - a. Registration of Redfish School of Change as a Not-for-profit agency on both sides of the border
 - b. Partnerships with educational institutions (Universities, retreat centers, businesses)

Redfish School of Change is an institution that hosts welcoming experiential programs for different ages, races, backgrounds, and disciplines that focus on reconciliation, empowerment, and social and environmental justice in the Salish Sea



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