

# Biomimicry — Inventions Inspired by Nature

In this course, students explore how mimicking nature can lead to the development of amazing inventions. Students become engineers, get a close look at nature, and design their own biomimicry invention.

Grade: Middle School

## **Standards Supported**

#### **Next Generation Science Standards:**

#### MS-ETS1-1. Engineering Design

Define the criteria and constraints of a design problem with sufficient precision to ensure a successful solution, taking into account relevant scientific principles and potential impacts on people and the natural environment that may limit possible solutions.

#### MS-ETS1-2. Engineering Design

Evaluate competing design solutions using a systematic process to determine how well they meet the criteria and constraints of the problem.

#### MS-ETS1-3. Engineering Design

Analyze data from tests to determine similarities and differences among several design solutions to identify the best characteristics of each that can be combined into a new solution to better meet the criteria for success.

### Ocean Literacy Principles:

**Principle 5.** The ocean supports a great diversity of life and ecosystems.

**Diversity of Life B.** The diversity of ocean ecosystems allows for many unique lifeforms with many unique adaptations.