



UNOLS Goals and Priorities

- Explore the relationship of working with NSF's Office of Polar Programs to coordinate support for Antarctic Research Vessels.
- Explore how to make the present and future fleet more environmentally sustainable.
- Options to establish a speaker series will be explored to highlight UNOLS ships and oceanographic research and to serve as an outreach activity to non-UNOLS colleges and universities, with particular attention given to institutions with under-represented minorities in the marine sciences.



2012 Goal

* To evaluate the size and composition of the fleet for the next 5-10 years

1. 2012 Non-operator committee (perhaps others) with UNOLS office and agencies to estimate the number of days or funding levels per year needed, with surge capability estimated as well.

2. FIC will provide an evaluation of fleet needs and scenarios to meet these needs using target numbers, and submit a report to Council and Non-operator committee. Considerations of UNOLS Safety Standards will be incorporated.

3. Non-operator committee will submit recommendations to Council

4. Council will make recommendations to federal agencies, and FIC and Non-operator committees reports shared with agencies.