



“New” UNOLS Cruise Opportunity Program

- High demand for Volunteer bunks on cruises, but lack of candidate screening made Chief Scientists and Principal Investigators wary of bringing these students on board
- The UNOLS Office will now screen graduate student candidates after they fill out a comprehensive application which requires references and a letter from their advisor.

Process

UNOLS identifies PIs with cruises from current year that might be a good fit for the Cruise Opportunity Program

UNOLS Emails these PIs to request their participation.

UNOLS Posts Cruise Descriptions to the Cruise Opportunity Webpage and notifies network of early career scientists

Interested Oceanography Graduate Students submit online application through UNOLS Website

UNOLS Office review candidate applications and forward appropriate candidates to the cruise’s PI.

After cruise, students submits a summary report to be posted on UNOLS Website



Cruise Opportunity Webpage and Application

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photo by Uriel Zajackovsky, UCSD

FEATURED INFORMATION

The UNOLS Cruise Opportunity Program matches volunteer graduate students with research cruises aboard UNOLS vessels.

Welcome to the UNOLS Cruise Opportunity Program Webpage!

The primary goal of the UNOLS Cruise Opportunity Program is to provide graduate students currently completing a degree in a field of oceanographic research with the opportunity to participate in a research cruise. The participant will be a member of the scientific party and be involved in data collection and all other activities at sea. It is envisioned that the graduate student will be familiar with the science to be conducted at sea, and thus, form new collaborations and potentially develop new research directions. To be eligible to participate in this program, the graduate student must currently be studying at a U.S.-based institution and have either a U.S. Passport or a U.S. Work Visa.

To apply, please review the opportunities listed below and if you would like to apply for one, fill out an application form by the deadline listed.

We are sorry, but there are currently no cruise opportunities at this time, please check back soon!

<https://www.unols.org/unols-cruise-opportunity-program>

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To apply for the UNOLS Cruise Opportunity Program, please follow the instructions below. It is important that you refer to the UNOLS Cruise Opportunity Page before applying to determine which (if any) of the cruises are aligned with your field of study. At this time we cannot cover the cost of traveling to and from the ship, but there will be no other costs associated with participating on the cruise.

- Complete and submit the following **application form**.
- Submit a .pdf of your **Curriculum Vitae** with this application form. An applicant's C.V. should include educational history (degrees and dates awarded), employment experience (including any internships), and any authored or co-authored journal articles, abstracts, or other publications related to the research objectives of the cruise.
- Submit a .pdf copy of a **Faculty Advisor Recommendation**. Applicants must include a letter from their primary advisor. The letter should document the student's scientific experience and detail how participation on the cruise would fit into their graduate degree program.

Applicant Name *

Current Position *

e.g. graduate student

Institution *

Department *

Address Line 1 *

Address Line 2 *

City *

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May 2016 Status

- # of 2016 Cruise Opportunities Posted: **1**
- # of Applicants: **1**
- # of people who signed up to receive Cruise Opportunity notifications via email: **220**

- **Potential Issues:**

- No travel funding provided
- Marketing
- Available Cruises

In 2016 UNOLS will continue to market the program to both students AND scientists

A call for 2016 Cruise Opportunities will go out shortly!



2016 Cruise Opportunity Program Marketing

2016 Ocean Sciences
February 21 – 26
New Orleans, LA

USA Science and Engineering
Festival – April 16 - 17
Washington, DC



Graduate Student Cruise Opportunity Program



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To be notified when new cruise opportunities become available, please sign up for the Cruise Opportunity email list.

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R/V Atlantis &
Alvin submersible



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R/V Atlantis & Alvin submersible

Length: 274 ft.

Weight: 3,200 T

Fun Fact: *Alvin* is a Human Occupied Vehicle (HOV) deployed from R/V *Atlantis*. *Alvin* can dive to 2.9 miles below the sea surface with 3 people on board.

Resources:

<https://www.unols.org/>

<http://www.nsf.gov/div/index.jsp?div=oce>

Both materials made by Debbie Smith, Thank you Debbie!