## **UNOLS Inventory of Small Research Vessels**

This inventory includes small research vessels from 35 feet to 135 feet that are operated by UNOLS institutions. One of the purposes for this inventory is to assist researchers in finding the best platform for their science.

These vessel are NOT part of the U.S. Academic Research Fleet. If you are funded by the National Science Foundation and choose to use any of these vessels, you must follow the <u>Guidance for Chartering Vessels outside US ARF (non-UNOLS vessels)</u>.

The listing of these vessels does not certify that they are UNOLS approved, but rather that they may be available to support scientific programs. This information is kept up to date to the best of our abilities, but we cannot guarantee it is current. Please coordinate with the vessel's Marine Operations Department to verify the information and vessel availability.

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STATE	VESSEL	LOA	OPERATOR	POINT OF CONTACT	USE	YEAR BUILT
Alaska						
	NANUQ	40′	University of Alaska  – Fairbanks Seward Marine Center  https://www.uaf.edu /cfos/aboutus/locations/seward/ nanuq/index.php	Capt. Brian Mullaly 907-224-4306 bmullaly@alaska.edu	Near-Coastal: Multipurpose, coastal biological and oceanographic sampling	2019
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Bermuda						
	HENRY M. STOMMEL	41'	Bermuda Institute for Ocean Sciences  http://www.bios.ed u/research/facilities /small-boats/	Chris Flook Small Boats & docks Supervisor 441-297- 1880 x245 chris.flook@bios.edu		
	RUMLINE	36′	Bermuda Institute for Ocean Sciences  http://www.bios.ed u/research/facilities /small-boats/	Chris Flook Small Boats & docks Supervisor 441-297- 1880 x245 chris.flook@bios.edu		
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California						
	YELLOWFIN	76′	Southern California Marine Institute  https://www.scmi.net/rv-yellowfin/	Carrie Wolfe Vessel Scheduling 562-985-3181 Carrie.wolfe@csulb.e du	Multi-purpose	

JOHN H. MARTIN	56′	Moss Landing Marine Labs  https://www.mlml.c alstate.edu/marine ops/rv-john-hmartin/	Capt. John Douglas Small Boats Coordinator 831-771-4122 Cell: 831-254-7024 douglas@mlml.calst ate.edu	Multi-purpose: trawling, bottom sampling, hydrographic sampling, side scanning, limited geophysical surveying, dive operations and bird/mammal surveys.	1985
QUESTUARY	38′	Cal Maritime - Golden Bear Research Center <a href="https://www.csum.edu/gbrc/index.html">https://www.csum.edu/gbrc/index.html</a>	Chris Brown Director 707-654-1282 cwbrown@csum.edu	Multi- purpose: San Francisco Bay exclusive	1975
RACHEL	135′	Monterey Bay Aquarium Research Institute  https://www.mbari.org/at- sea/ships/rvrachel-carson/	Ian Leik Marine Operations Manager ileik@mbari.org	Coastal: Deploy ROV, AUVs, M- class moorings, instrument packages	2003
PARAGON	36′	Monterey Bay Aquarium Research Institute  https://www.mbari. org/atsea/ships/researchvessel- paragon/	Ian Leik Marine Operations Manager ileik@mbari.org	Near Coastal: deploy AUVs, wave gliders, small moorings, instruments, dive ops	1993
CORAL SEA	90′	Humboldt State University  http://www.hsumar inelab.org/coralsea/	Capt. Scott Martin (707) 599-2147 rsm31@humboldt.edu	Multi- purpose: Box cores, dredges, nets	1974
BOB AND BETTY BEYSTER	42′	Scripps Institution of Oceanography  https://scripps.ucsd.edu/ships/beyster	Captain Brett Pickering (858) 822-6180 bcpickering@ucsd.edu	General- purpose 42- foot aluminum- hull research catamaran with an A- frame and articulating crane,	2019

	capable of 25-knot transit speeds and outfitted with dynamic positioning, for operation offshore Southern California and throughout the Channel	
	Islands.	

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Connecticut						
	CONNECTICUT	90′	University of Connecticut  https://marinescien ces.uconn.edu/vess elops/	Turner Cabaniss Marine Operations Manager 860-405- 9178 turner.cabaniss@uc onn.edu	Multipurpose Coastal: ROV operations, moorings, dynamic positioning	1998 MidLif e Refit: 2017
	LOWELL WEICKER	36′	University of Connecticut  https://marinescien ces.uconn.edu/rvlw L	Turner Cabaniss Marine Operations Manager 860-405- 9178 turner.cabaniss@uc onn.edu	Multipurpose Coastal	
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Delaware						
	JOANNE DAIBER	46′	University of Delaware College of Earth, Ocean, and Environment  https://www.ceoe.u del.edu/about/mari neoperations	Jon Swallow Director of Marine Ops 302-396-8565 jswallow@udel.edu	Multipurpose (Aframe, winch, side scan sonar, AUV support, ample deck and cabin space for other equipment)	2014

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Florida				CONTACT		DOILI
	RAY MCALLISTER	36′	Florida Atlantic University  http://www.ome.fa	John Kielbasa 954- 924-7000 jkielbas@fau.edu	Multi-purpose	
	WEATHER-	115′	u.edu/labscenters/research v essel.php Florida Institute of	Quentin Lewis	Ocean-going	
	BIRD II		Oceanography  https://www.fio.usf. edu/researchvessels/r- vweatherbird-ii/	Marine Superintendent 727-553-1100 qmlewisjr@usf.edu	Multipurpose	
	W.T. HOGARTH	78′	Florida Institute of Oceanography  https://www.fio.usf. edu/researchvessels/r-v-hogarth/	Quentin Lewis Marine Superintendent 727-553-1100 qmlewisjr@usf.edu	Multi-purpose	2018
	WESTERN FLYER	117'	Florida Institute of Oceanography  https://www.fio.usf .edu/researchvessels/r- vwestern-flyer/	Quentin Lewis Marine Superintendent 727-553-1100 qmlewisjr@usf.edu	Coastal ROV Operations	
	APALACHEE	63′	Florida State University  https://marinelab.fs u.edu/marineops/apalachee/	Capt. Matt Edwards 850-697-3470 medwards5@fsu.ed <u>U</u>	Multipurpose	2012
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Georgia						
	GEORGIA BULLDOG	72'	University of Georgia Marine Extension  https://gacoast.uga .edu/about/contactus/rv- georgiabulldog/	Capt. John A. "Crawfish" Crawford 912-598- 2364 crawfish@uga.edu	Multi-purpose fisheries vessel	1977

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Louisiana						
	ACADIANA	58′	Louisiana Universities Marine Consortium https://lumcon.edu /rv-acadiana/	Joe Malbrough Marine Superintendent 985-851-2808 jmalbrough@lumco n.edu	Ocean Service Limited Multi-purpose	Retrofit 2017
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Maine						
	IRA C.	42'	University of Maine Darling Marine Center  https://dmc.umaine .edu/facilities/resea rch-vessels/	Capt. Robbie Downs 207-563-8306 207- 581-5306 rldowns@maine.ed U	Multipurpose Coastal	2000
	BOWDITCH	48′	Bigelow Laboratory for Ocean Sciences  https://www.bigelo w.org/services/rese arch- vessels/rvbowditch.html	Dave Drapeau Marine Operations Coordinator 207-315-2567, ext. 506 ddrapeau@bigelow. org	Multi-purpose coastal research and education	2012

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Maryland						
	RACHEL CARSON	81'	University of Maryland Center for Environmental Science  https://www.umces _edu/research-fleet	Capt. Michael Hulme Director of Marine Operations 410-326-7358 410- 610-7725 hulme@umces.edu	Multipurpose Estuarine and nearCoastal: dredging, trawling, coring, water quality, plankton sampling, buoy deployment	2008

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Massachusetts						u .
	TIOGA	60′	Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution  https://www.whoi.e du/what- wedo/explore/ships/sh ips-tioga/	Eric Benway Port Capt. 508-289-3770 ebenway@whoi.ed <u>u</u>	Multipurpose Coastal	2004 Repow ered: 2019
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Michigan						
	AGASSIZ	36′	Michigan Technological University  https://www.mtu.e du/greatlakes/fleet/ agassiz/	Jamey Anderson Asst. Director, Marine Operations jameya@mtu.edu 906-487-2914	Multi-purpose	2002
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Mississippi						
	TOMMY MUNRO	97'	University of Southern Mississippi Gulf Coast Research Laboratory  https://www.usm.ed u/vessels/rv- tommymunro.php	Tiffany McNeese 228-872-4277 tiffany.mcneese@u sm.edu	Off-shore Multipurpose: trawling surveys, long-lining, deployment and recovery of arrays, structures, buoys and moorings, cable laying and sea/shore interface installation, submarine and diverless systems support, seismic research, camera platform and tracking assignments, oceanographic surveys and logistics, and diving support.	1981

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Mississippi						
	JIM FRANKS	60'	University of Southern Mississippi Gulf Coast Research Laboratory  https://www.usm.ed u/vessels/rvfranks.php	Tiffany McNeese 228-872-4277 tiffany.mcneese@u sm.edu	Off-shore Multipurpose: trawling for fish, shrimp, and other bottom dwelling marine life; dolphin watching; trips to the barrier islands; water quality testing; vertical and bottom long-lining for shark and reef species.	2016
	KEN BARBOR	48'	University of Southern Mississippi Gulf Coast Research Laboratory  https://gcrl.usm.ed u/research vessels/ hermes.research.ve ssel.php	Matthew Muzslay 228-214-9017 Matthew.Muzslay@ usm.edu	Off-shore Multipurpose	2008

New Hampshire						
	GULF CHALLENGER	50′	University of New Hampshire  https://marine.unh. edu/facility/rv- gulfchallenger	Captain Bryan Soares 603-781-0254 Bryan.Soares@unh. edu	Estuarine and coastal research work and educational activities	1993
	GULF SURVEYOR	48′	University of New Hampshire  https://marine.unh.edu/facility/rv-gulfsurveyor	Captain Matthew Rowell 603-862-0273 Matthew.Rowell@un h.edu	Hydrographic	2016

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New Jersey						
	ARABELLA	48'	Rutgers University School of Environmental and Biologic Sciences  https://marine.rutg ers.edu/about- us/facilities/r- varabella/	Capt. Chip Haldeman 848-932- 3295 haldeman@marine. rutgers.edu	Multipurpose nearCoastal: trawling, grab sampling, diving, seismic profiling, coring, AUV operations	1996
	PETREL	36′	Stockton University Marine Field Station  http://www.stockto n.edu/marine/marin e-vessels.html	Steve Evert Field Station Director 609-652-4486 marinefieldstation@ stockton.edu	Multipurpose estuarine and nearcoastal	2015
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New York						
	SEAWOLF	80′	University of Stony Brook School of Marine and Atmospheric Sciences  https://you.stonybro ok.edu/somas/about /facilities/researchve ssels/rv-seawolf/	Chris Harter Port Captain 516-666-0569 Christian.harter@st onybrook.edu	Multipurpose	1982
	PAUMANOK	44'	State University of New York at Stony Brook - School of Marine and Atmospheric Sciences https://you.stonybro ok.edu/somas/about /facilities/researchve ssels/rv-paumanok/	Brian Gagliardi 631-356-5769 Brian.gagliardi@sto nybrook.edu	Near Offshore Multipurpose - 100 miles or less offshore between Block Island, RI and Cape May, NJ.	1986

PECONIC	45′	State University of New York at Stony Brook - School of Marine and Atmospheric Sciences	Brian Gagliardi 631-356-5769 Brian.gagliardi@sto nybrook.edu	Protected Bays and Rivers Multipurpose	2004
		https://you.stonybro ok.edu/somas/about /facilities/researchve ssels/rv-peconic/			

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New Hampshire				CONTACT		DOILI
	JOHN M. KINGSBURY	47′	University of New Hampshire - Shoals Marine Laboratory	Ross Hansen rbh@cornell.edu 603-862-0046	Near Offshore Multi- purpose	
			https://www.shoals marinelaboratory.or g/facilities- andvessels	Matthew Norwood matthew.norwood @unh.edu		
	J.B HEISER	36′	University of New Hampshire - Shoals Marine Laboratory	Ross Hansen rbh@cornell.edu 603-862-0046	Near Offshore Multi- purpose	
			https://www.shoals marinelaboratory.or g/facilities- andvessels	Matthew Norwood matthew.norwood @unh.edu		
	WILLIAM SCANDLING	65′	Hobart and William Smith Colleges – Fingers Lake Institute  The William Scandling   Finger Lakes Institute   HWS College	Barbara Halfman 315-781-3606 bhalfman@hws.edu	Seneca Lake, the New York Barge Canal System to Cayuga and Oneida Lakes, the lower Great Lakes, the Hudson River, and points beyond	1976

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North Carolina						
	MARTECH I	53′	Cape Fear Community College  https://cfcc.edu/marine-technology/vessels/	Jason Rogers Department Chair Marine Technology 910-362-7403 jrogers@cfcc.edu	Multipurpose Intracoastal & Rivers	2000
	CAPE HATTERAS	135′	Cape Fear Community College https://cfcc.edu/ma rine- technology/vessels/	Jason Rogers Department Chair Marine Technology 910-362-7403 jrogers@cfcc.edu	Oceangoing	
	SHEARWATER	77′	Duke University Nicholas School of the Environment https://nicholas.duk e.edu/news/our- classroom-sea- rvshearwater	Rebecca Smith Associate Director Duke Marine Lab 252-504-7508 Rebecca.s.smith@d uke.edu	Multipurpose	2019
	SEAHAWK	35'	Center for Marine Science - University of North Carolina at Wilmington  https://uncw.edu/c ms/facilitiesrvseaha wk.html	Capt. Steve Hall 910-962-2558 halls@uncw.edu  Jay Styron Asst. Director Marine Ops 910- 962-2404 styron@uncw.edu	Fisheries Diving Sampling	

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Rhode Island						
	CAP'N BERT	53′	University of Rhode Island  https://web.uri.edu/bert/	Mitch Hatzipetro Vessel Operations Coordinator 401.874.7852 Mitch_Hatzi@uri.edu	General Small Boat Ops.	1982
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Texas						
	KATY	57′	University of Texas at Austin - Marine Science Institute  https://utmsi.utexas.edu/research/research-vessels	msiedureserve@utlists. utexas.edu.	Classic trawler hull with A-frame at stern for Marine Science Education, near coastal and estuarine general use	1981

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Texas						l.
	EARL L. MILAN	47'	Texas A & M University Galveston  https://www.tamug .edu/VesselOperati onsOffice/TAMUG Vessel Fleet/Earl Milan.html	Vernon Camus 409-740-4490 camusv@tamug.e du.	Multi-purpose	
	TRIDENT	70′	Texas A & M University Galveston  https://www.tamug .edu/VesselOperati onsOffice/TAMUG Vessel Fleet/RVTrid ent.html	Vernon Camus 409-740-4490 camusv@tamug.e du.	Multi-purpose	

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Virginia						
	VIRGINIA	93′	Virginia Institute of Marine Science	John Olney jeojr@vims.edu (804) 450-1100	Multi-Purpose: Dynamic Positioning	2018
			https://www.vims.ed u/research/marine_o ps/vessel_ops/vessel _gallery/rv_virginia/i ndex.php			
	TIDEWATER	43′	Virginia Institute of Marine Science	Reid Kirkpatrick trkirkpatrick@vi ms.edu (804) 684-7055	Multi-Purpose	
			https://www.vims.ed u/research/marine o ps/vessel_ops/vessel gallery/rv_tidewate r/index.php			

BAY E	AGLE 65	Virginia Institute of Marine Science  https://www.vims.ed u/research/marine o ps/vessel_ops/vessel gallery/rv_bayeagle /index.php	Reid Kirkpatrick trkirkpatrick@vi ms.edu (804) 684-7055	Multi-purpose Trawling, dredging, longlining	
FAY SI	LOVER 55	Old Dominion University  https://www.odu.e du/oeas/vessels/slo ver	Department of Ocean, Earth & Atmospheric Sciences 757-683-4285	Multi-Purpose Hydrography Meteorology	

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Washington						
	LIGHT	66′	University of Washington – Applied Physics Lab  http://www.apl.was hington.edu/about/ vessels.php	Eric Boget Principal Engineer 206-685-1971 boget@apl.washing ton.edu	Multi-purpose	2018
	ROBERTSON	57'	University of Washington – Applied Physics Lab  http://www.apl.was hington.edu/about/ vessels.php	Eric Boget Principal Engineer 206-685-1971 boget@apl.washing ton.edu	Multi-purpose	2008
	KITTIWAKE	42'	University of Washington Friday Harbor Laboratories  https://fhl.uw.edu/f acilities- resources/boatingand- diving/r-vkittiwake- fhlresearch- vessel2020/	Eric Loss Marine Operations Supervisor maritime@uw.edu	Multipurpose, coastal biological and oceanographic sampling.	

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Wisconsin						
	NEESKAY	71'	University of WisconsinMilwaukee Great Lakes Water Institute  https://uwm.edu/fr eshwater/facilities/f leet/	Rob Paddock Marine Ops Manager 414-382-1745 rpaddock@uwm.ed u	Biology/Nets Chemistry Physics Geology SCUBA ROV	1953 convert ed 1970