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What’s Up at IARC?

Announcements

- Did you miss the **June 5 researchers’ meeting**? Go to the bottom of the Newsletter to see key points discussed.

- JAMSTEC **Postdoctoral Fellowship Opportunities** (application **deadline July 21**)

- The Chancellor is asking for input on any processes within the University that could be simplified. Processing of travel related documents has already come up as a prime example. If you have specific, high-priority suggestions please send them to Dorothy Parkerson.

- The University-National Oceanographic Laboratory System is announcing the **UNOLS Cruise Opportunity Program**. The primary goal of the 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. UNOLS is also starting an email listserv for graduate students in an oceanography-related field who are interested in these opportunities. Email Caitlin Mandel if you would like to be added to this listserv.

- **Field Season** is here, make sure you are prepared:
  - "**What You Need to Know Before You Go (to the Arctic)**"
  - UAF Risk Management page on **Field Safety**
  - Make sure your field people have a "**UAF Remote Travel Emergency Plan**"

- **Research visitors to IARC**:
  - Markus Eugster, sponsor Elena Sparrow, 203 D IARC
  - Sina Muster, AGU, sponsor IARC Dir’s office, 406A, #11 IARC
  - Tamlin Pavelsky, sponsor Jessica Cherry, 408 IARC
  - Kota Yoshikawa, Shinshu University, Japan, sponsor Yoshinobu Harazono, 207A IARC

Upcoming proposal deadlines (For more information, contact Elizabeth Lilly):

- Keep in mind when working on **budget for proposals**:
  - Previously NSF was the only agency that required F&A waived on participant support costs. Now F&A is waived on participant support costs for budgets submitted to all federal agencies.


- Department of Education **Office of Postsecondary Education: Alaska Native-Serving Program** (ED-GRANTS-041015-001), (Note: This requires working with a lead institute that is qualified as Alaska-Native serving – UAF does not meet the requirements, but Ilisagvik College does.) deadline **June 9**

- **Innovation Corps Sites Program (I-Corps Sites)**, NSF 14-547, deadline **June 9**

- **Alaska Fish and Wildlife Fund**, 2015 Request for Proposals, **The Arctic & Bering Sea**, pre-proposals due **June 11**, full proposal due August 6
Department of Health & Human Services, Food & Drug Administration, Integrated Food Defense (RFA-FD-15-022), Letter of Intent due: June 15, 2015 (or March 1, 2016), deadline July 9 (or April 2, 2016)

NSF EPSCoR Research Infrastructure Improvement Program (NSF 15-566) LOI Due: July 7, deadline August 4

North Pacific Research Board announces the release of the Arctic Program Request for Pre-proposals. The Request for Pre-Proposals and a list of resources that proposers may find useful may be found here, pre-proposals due July 31, deadline for full proposal January 15, 2016

NOAA FY2106 Implementation of the US Integrated Ocean Observing System (IOOS) NOAA-NOS-IOOS-2016-2004378, deadline August 31

NSF Building Community and Capacity in Data Intensive Research in Education (NSF 14-517), deadline September 1

The Robin Rigby Trust, Call for Proposals 2015: Collaborative Coastal Research, Saint Mary’s University, deadline Oct 31

NSF Earth Sciences Postdoctoral Fellowships (EAR-PF) Program Solicitation (NSF 15-568), full Proposal deadline(s) (due by 5p.m. proposer’s local time): January 12, 2016, January 10, 2017

IARC or UAF Events/Workshops/Presentations

- Wednesday, June 10 at 12:00 p.m. Special Joint ACCAP/W. Alaska LCC Webinar
  - Casey Brown, UAF, “Current Coastal Change Research/Management Project & Priority Information Needs in Western Alaska”
  - Registration and for more information, go here or contact Tina Buxbaum.
  - Also available in person in Akasofu 407.

- Tuesday, June 23 at 10:00 a.m. ACCAP Alaska Climate Webinar
  - Katrina E. Bennett, Los Alamos National Laboratory (formerly of IARC), “Changing extreme streamflow patterns in boreal forest watersheds of Alaska”
  - Registration and for more information, go here or contact Tina Buxbaum.

Accomplishments

- Papers published:


- Awards:
  - Hajo Eicken received the 2015 Emil Usibelli Research Award.
Stories on IARC

- Researcher and IARC interim director receives the 2015 Usibelli Research Award
- IARC researcher named institutional lead for an Arctic research project
- Scientist of the Month: Douglas Cost

IARC in the News

- The Blob expands from Gulf of Alaska to Baja

June 5 researchers’ meeting key points

- Working out of state: Anyone working out of state or hiring out-of-state employees requires university approval. Ask Kim Cox for details.
- Update on renovations: Room 501 is getting new carpet next week.
- Recent publications or funded proposals: Please let Yuri Bult-Ito know when papers are published and proposals funded.
- QMenu training session: QMenu (OIT supported software) gives you ability to track your own project (budget, financials, other options). Kim Cox is willing to give a training session if people are interested. Watch for email from Dorothy Parkerson regarding session opportunities.
- 2013-2014 faculty evaluations: Dorothy is processing annual activity reports and Hajo will be starting annual reviews. If you have comments, contact Dorothy Parkerson or Hajo Eicken.
- ASSW and AOS update: ASSW – visit assw2016.org; AOS – call for white paper for AOS 2016 is coming up in about a month.
- Review of the All IARC meeting held in May (Georgina Gibson et al.):
  - Suggestions for increasing seminar attendance (Have multiple short presentations; Make presentations general enough so wider audience can understand them better; Secure more time for discussions; and Allow socializing/networking time);
  - The meeting was useful as it has already generated collaboration ideas among researchers;
  - We may want to have a meeting once a year?
- IARC communications strategy and plan (Scott Rupp): Trying to put together communications strategy to strengthen internal communication and to identify our external target audience, what messages we want to convey to them, what strategies and tools would be relevant to achieve it.
- Budget situation: Budget corresponding to the 10.2% cut in Fund One (may increase since some potential budget items are still in limbo) has been implemented in the form of realignment, restructuring and cutting staff time at IARC. Hajo is trying to secure from the UAF administration up to 3 months of base salary support for faculty. The legislature has not finalized budget for FY2016.
- Faculty paid time off is now allocated through statewide (not Fund One), hence faculty members are urged to make use of all their available time off. Contact Kim Cox for questions.