What’s Up at IARC?

Announcements

- The IARC web team is conducting a short survey (<10 minutes) to learn your thoughts on the IARC website as it begins the process of redesign. Your anonymous responses will help to better align the website with your needs as a user. Thank you for your time!

- Brendan Kelly is new Executive Director for the SEARCH (Study of Environmental Arctic Change) program, a US program with a mission to provide a foundation of Arctic change science through collaboration with the research community, funding agencies, and other stakeholders. SEARCH is supported by a collaborative grant from NSF to IARC and ARCUS.

- Office of Science and Technology Policy (OSTP) is seeking two additional interns, one to cover Arctic issues. Interested graduate (PhD preferred) students may visit here.

- College Scholarship for Students and International Students, Zumper apartment rental search

- Faculty Time Off (FTO) Guidelines, instructions to assist faculty with the appropriate leave hours entry throughout the year via the online time sheet in UAOnline. HR Systems is drafting guidelines for non-represented faculty (FN), and once the document is finalized IARC administration will notify the faculty.

- Term employees can be considered internal applicants. Policy 04.07.110 now allows affected term-funded employees, both exempt and non-exempt, to be considered as internal applicants for up to 12 months. To participate, eligible employees must work with a human resources consultant to ensure timely placement into the internal applicant pool. This offers (but does not guarantee) a chance to rehire an employee prior to a posting being advertised for competitive recruitment.

- 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.

- Welcome new IARC employees:
  - Charla Bodle, HR Coordinator, 415Q (Please email both Charla and Christi Lepley with HR needs/concerns). Email Kim Cox for any questions.
  - Brendan Kelly, Executive Director, SEARCH

- Research visitors to IARC:
  - Phil Hwang, Scottish Association for Marine Science
  - Narumi Tahara, Osaka Prefecture University, 207A
  - Max Yaremchuk, NRL, 408E
Upcoming proposal deadlines (For more information, contact Elizabeth Lilly). Click here for useful proposal information. If you have suggestions, please e-mail Elizabeth a note.


- **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 (BCC-HER)** (NSF 15-563), deadline September 1

- **NSF Geography and Spatial Sciences Program (GSS)** (NSF 14-537), deadline September 3

- **DOE SBIR/STTR Participants** – Topics for FY16 SBIR/STTR Phase I Release 1 Funding Opportunity Announcement have been issued and are available. The following DOE program offices are participating in this solicitation: Advanced Scientific Computing Research, Basic Energy Sciences, Biological and Environmental Research, Nuclear Physics, LOI due September 8, applications due October 19

- **NSF Partnerships for Innovation: Accelerating Innovation Research-Technology Translation (PFI: AIR-TT)** (NSF 15-570), LOI deadline September 8, proposal deadline October 9

- **NSF Science of Science and Innovation Policy (SCISIP)**, deadline September 9

- **NEW!** Proposal Assistance Available, NSF Arctic Research Opportunities Announcement, CH2M HILL Polar Services (CPS). Contact Naomi Whitty for further information, deadline September 11

- **NEW!** EPSCoR Alaska Data to Decision Mini-Grants, for teams of UA faculty, staff and/or students to develop innovative data visualizations for display in the new UAF Decision Theater North facility, or in the UAA Planetarium and Visualization Theater, deadline September 14

- **The Joint Fire Science Program (JFSP)**, notice of intent released July 17. Topics of potential interest:
  - Implications of changing ecosystems – selected regions including Alaska;
  - Fire and Smoke Model Evaluation Experiment (FASMEE); and
  - Graduate Research Innovation (GRN) award.
  Contact AFSC coordinator Alison York if you are interested in pursuing a proposal. September 15 and remaining open until November 13

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

- **Improving Undergraduate STEM Education: Education and Human Resources (IUSE: EHR) Program Solicitation** (NSF 15-585):
  - Exploration and Design Tier for Engaged Student Learning & Institution and Community Transformation, November 3, 2015;
  - Development and Implementation Tiers for Engaged Student Learning & Institution and Community Transformation, January 13, 2016

- **NSF Advancing informal STEM Learning (AISL)** (NSF 15-593), deadline November 4

- **NSF CISE Research Infrastructure (CRI)** (NSF 15-590), deadline November 10

- **NSF Discovery Research PreK-12 (DRK-12)** (NSF 15-593), deadline December 7
- NSF Earth Sciences Postdoctoral Fellowships (EAR-PF) Program Solicitation (NSF 15-568), full Proposal deadline(s): January 12, 2016, January 10, 2017

- NSF Major Research Instrumentation Program (MRI) (NSF 15-504), UAF is permitted to submit up to three proposals to NSF, of which only two may be for instrument acquisition. A 30% cost sharing is required and the VCR office has up to $250,000 available in match funds, deadline January 18, 2016.