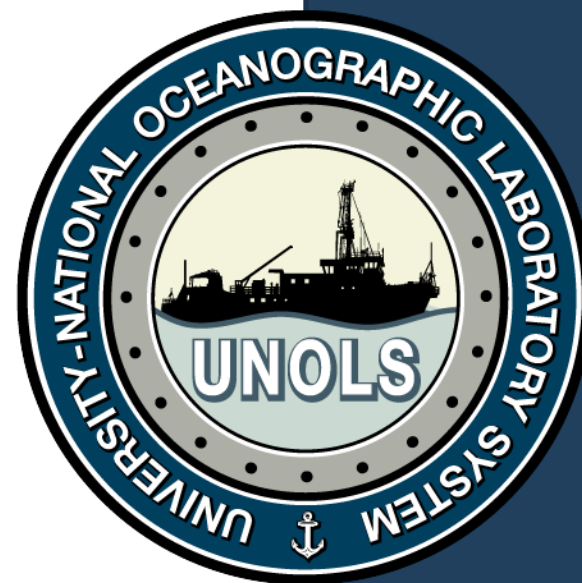


UNOLS Update / Issues

2024 MSROC
Community Meeting

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The issue's / activities that we are working on:

- Safer Seas Act
 - Clarity from USCG regarding status of ARF vessels (“public vessel” issue)
 - Recognition that SSA applies to ARF
 - Plan developed with NSF to address Global & Ocean Classes first, RCRV after delivery, & Regional/Coastal/Local will come later
 - UNOLS met with USCG HQ outlining ARF plans
 - UCSD / HiSeasNet Team contracting with Digigone for ship installations
 - Contract issued – vendor ordering equipment, coordinating installs with ship operators. Hope to start in January 2025.
- Global / Ocean Class Replacement
 - FIC focus on Global / Ocean class capacity
 - Kilo Moana Replacement / possible NOAA Class B Opportunity

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- Marine Facilities Planning (MFP)
 - Continued refining of Cruise Planning Module being used by more operators, community becoming more & more proficient, looking to further optimize
 - Personnel Planning Module
 - Regular Cruise Planning Module meetings with operators & developer
 - Stefani Martynenko - MFP Customer Service Point of Contact
 - Developing Project Support Plan
- Science Requirements for future U.S. Coast Guard Arctic Icebreaker(s)
 - AMRCC established
 - Initial workshop 14-15 November in Seattle
 - Upcoming community meetings – incl Tues, 12/10 at 12:30

NOTE: USCG has recently obtained I/B Aiviq



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- Ship Scheduling
 - Continued Bi-Weekly meetings for Global/Ocean Class ship schedulers
 - Published most 2025 ship schedules in September
 - Moving Global/Ocean class scheduling timeline forward for 2026 – publish in July 2025
 - Still dealing with cruise deferral, crewing & mechanical issue impacts
 - Focused on better communicating scheduling status with PIs
- MATE Internship Program
 - 18 Interns in 2024!
 - Just advertised for 2025
- Tech Pool Support
 - 19 Marine Techs Provided in 2024 for 39 Cruises

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- Early Career Scientist Cruises
 - AICC - USCGC HEALY – Fall 2024
 - HOT - R/V Kilo Moana - August 2024
- UNOLS Office Hirings
 - Tara Clemente – new Tech Services Manager
 - Laine Ritter – Travel reimbursement processing
 - Stefani Martynenko hired to provide support on many fronts – particularly MFP day-to-day customer support as well meeting administration
 - Student Assistants Caitlyn McCulloch & Kylie West are back for another year!
- New 2nd Term UNOLS Cooperative Agreement / Grants
 - New 2nd term 5-year Cooperative Agreement with NSF
 - New grants/funding with NOAA & USGS
 - Working new grant with ONR
 - BOEM has stopped funding the UNOLS Office citing budget challenges

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- All the “regular” activities continue
 - Marine Superintendent Check-In Meetings
 - Tech Manager Meetings
 - Biweekly UNOLS Chair Check-in’s
 - Agency Support
 - Committee Support & Meetings
 - Schedule, plan, coordinate, host, & post presentations
 - More meetings with AMRCC added to mix
 - Travel reimbursement
 - Budgeting / reporting
 - Procurement / administration of contracts
 - MFP
 - Telemedicine Support
 - Scheduling Support
 - BABAA/MOSA Support
 - Website updates
 - CIWG Meetings
 - SATNAG Meetings
 - Quarterly Newsletters

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