



Dear Colleagues,

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Best regards,

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Recent announcements of interest to the OS community (honors, conferences, academic positions, graduate student opportunities, etc.) can be found at the [AGU OS Section website](#).

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### **Meetings – Call for Action Now!**

A reminder of immediate deadlines for our two major meetings this year:

2015 AGU Fall Meeting (San Francisco, 14-18 Dec.)  
Session Proposals due 22 April 2015  
Abstracts due 5 Aug 2015

2016 Ocean Sciences (New Orleans, 21-26 Feb.)  
Session Proposals due 29 April 2015  
Tutorial Proposals due 29 April 2015  
Abstracts due 23 Sept. 2015

**Fall Meeting** Ocean Sciences program committee: [Debbie Hutchinson](#) and [Victoria Coles](#)

If you think you will be submitting an abstract to Fall Meeting and think that others in your area will be coming, [consider submitting a Session Proposal and do it now!](#) Early career scientists are especially encouraged – we want to hear from you! Even though this is an “off” year for FM for many Ocean Sciences members, there were MANY OS presentations in the last “off” year, 2013, with many defaulting to “general contributions” because there were no special sessions. Special sessions have lots of advantages, so please consider proposing one! Step up, lean in, do it!

**Ocean Sciences Meeting** program committee: [Karen Casciotti](#), [Fred Bingham](#) and [Paige Martin](#) (plus representatives from ASLO and TOS – [Adina Paytan](#) and [Steve Ackleson](#)). We expect a wonderful, large meeting, as we had in 2014. Success is built on your session proposal submissions. Again, we encourage Early Career Scientists to join your more senior colleagues and submit proposals. Almost new: **Tutorials**. These were introduced at the OSM2014 and were an overwhelming success. [Submit tutorial proposals NOW \(Deadline: 29 April\)](#). If your tutorial is accepted, you will know in time for other self-organization for

OSM2016. There is no abstract fee for accepted tutorials, and you will be able to submit a regular presentation as well.

Some other AGU meetings of interest to Ocean Sciences include the specialized Chapman conferences and regular joint SEG-AGU meetings. Stay informed from [the main AGU website](#).

### **Publication, Communication and Information**

AGU Ocean Sciences members publish in many different AGU journals. We have a special tie with and responsibility for JGR Oceans, whose Editor in Chief serves on the Ocean Sciences Executive Committee. As of fall, 2014, [JGR-Oceans](#) has a new EiC, Peter Brewer. Many of the editors are also newly appointed. EiC-selected highlights are being posted to the new Eos.

Note that AGU publications now have a specific data and code sharing policy. This can be satisfied in many different ways, as long as authors can provide the information that was used as the basis for the published work. Please discuss any questions you have with your AGU journal editor.

[Eos](#) online has an entirely new look and a beautiful website.

### **Honors and Awards**

There is still time to nominate your colleagues, by 15 April, for section lectures and awards. This year we confer the Ocean Sciences and Early Career Awards, and select Rachel Carson and Sverdrup lecturers. Nominations are straightforward and should be sent directly to Jim Murray, who is leading the Honors and Recognition committee of Ocean Sciences. (If you submit through Fluid Review, we will still receive your nomination, but it is not necessary to use that system.) See the [Ocean Sciences website](#) for information on the awards/lectures and how to nominate.

Thanks to all who submitted nominations packages for your well-deserving colleagues. The AGU Fellows selection process is now underway, with the Ocean Sciences section forwarding its ranking of nominations to the Union Fellows Committee, which selects the new Fellows. Announcements will be 31 July 2015.

### **Ocean Sciences structure**

Our section of the AGU has a membership of 3435 primary members, 363 student members, and several thousand members with other sections as their primary affiliation. The full list is available [online](#).

#### **Elected officers:**

President: [Lynne Talley](#), Scripps Institution of Oceanography  
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Secretary, Physical Oceanography: [Victoria Coles](#), Horn Point Laboratory  
Secretary, Marine Geology and Geophysics: [Deborah Hutchinson](#) U.S. Geological Survey  
Secretary, Marine Geochemistry: [Adina Paytan](#) University of California, Santa Cruz

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