NOAA's Teacher at Sea Program Application
2014 Field Season

Applications and letters of recommendation are due October 31, 2013 at 5:00 p.m. ET.

In this application, you will navigate through 4 main sections. Sections 1, 2 and 4 are required. Section 3 is optional. The sections are:

1. "Application" (Required)
2. "Recommendations" (Required: Two letters of recommendation submitted BY the REFERENCE and NOT the APPLICANT.)
3. "Upload Files" (Optional: Supplemental materials that you may upload.)
4. "Submit" (Required: The final page where you will submit your complete application.)

Sections 1, 2, and 4 are required to be considered a complete application, including the recommendation letters. Section 3 is optional and not required to be considered a complete application.

Only complete applications will be evaluated.

IMPORTANT:

- Please use the most recent versions of either Internet Explorer or Firefox to complete your application.
- TO SAVE/PRINT: Save often; Click the "Save" button if you want to return and make changes later. **New or changed information you enter will not be saved until you click "Save." Click "Save" every 30 minutes to prevent a session timeout.** You may save or print at any time before your final submission.
- TO SUBMIT: You will be able to submit your application once you have completed all 3 sections. Click submit ONLY after you have finished making changes to your application. NOTE: This action cannot be undone by you and would require technical support to reverse.

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* Asterisk indicates a required field.

Personal Contact Information

* First Name: MI: * Last:
* Home Address 1:
Home Address 2:
* City: * State: * Zip:
* Country: United States
* Home Phone: Cell Phone:

This email address will be used to contact you about the status of your application and to notify you of acceptance or denial to the program.

* Email Address:

School/Employer Contact Information

* Name of School/Employer:
* School Address 1:
School Address 2:
* City: * State: * Zip:
* Country: United States
* Work Phone:

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Additional Information

* Citizenship: United States

* Sex: ◯ Female ◯ Male * Age Range:

If you have previously applied to NOAA's Teacher at Sea Program, please check the applicable years below:

☐ 1992	☐ 1998	☐ 2004	☐ 2009
☐ 1993	☐ 1999	☐ 2005	☐ 2010
☐ 1994	☐ 2000	☐ 2006	☐ 2011
☐ 1995	☐ 2001	☐ 2007	☐ 2012
☐ 1996	☐ 2002	☐ 2008	☐ 2013
☐ 1997	☐ 2003		

* Type of School/Employer:

If "Other", please indicate school/employer type:

School/Employer Population:

School/Employer Ethnicity Percentages (Percentages must add up to 100. **No decimals.**):

☐ Unknown

American Indian/Native Alaskan	%
Asian	%
Black/African American	%
Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander	%
White	%
Hispanic	%
Mixed Ethnicity/Other	%
Total	**0 %**

Percentage of students who receive free or reduced lunch: %

Average Class Size:

* Total number of students you teach in a year:

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* Please list the grades and subjects you currently teach and are likely to teach next year.

Grade	Other	Subject Type	Specify	Currently Teaching	Teaching Next Year
				☐	☐
				☐	☐
				☐	☐
				☐	☐
				☐	☐
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* Years of teaching experience:

* Years teaching at current school/employer:

* Please list any leadership roles that you have held in education.

* University degree or other academic experience or qualifications:

☐ Bachelor's (Major)
☐ Master's (Discipline)
☐ Ph.D. (Discipline)
☐ Other Degree/Qualifications

Other degree/qualification description(s):

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Research Preferences

Information about the types of research projects conducted by NOAA ships is available at http://teacheratsea.noaa.gov/about/ships.html .

Due to homeland security, NOAA ship schedules are not available to the public; therefore, you cannot select a cruise specifically. By filling in the following parameters, you will be matched with a cruise that best fits your research interests. Placement is based upon ships' berth space availability.

* A. Please list below **ALL** the dates that you would be available to participate on a cruise. Please use mm-dd-yyyy as the date field format.

☐ Select this box if you are open to any time frame.

Start Date	End Date

* B. Type of research that interests you most:

☐ Open to any type
☐ Fisheries
☐ Hydrographic
☐ Oceanographic/Atmospheric
☐ Other

Other interests or comments:

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* C. Please indicate your preferred cruise length. Most cruises last between 2 and 3 weeks. Some cruises last over a month.

Preferred length of cruise:

* D. Please indicate your preferred geographical areas of research:

- [ ] Open to any area
- [ ] Northeast
- [ ] Southeast
- [ ] Gulf of Mexico
- [ ] Northwest
- [ ] Southwest
- [ ] Alaska
- [ ] Hawaii
- [ ] Other

Other port/area:

Questionnaire

* 1. NOAA's primary interest in this program is the way in which teachers will incorporate the experience into their classroom activities, help colleagues do the same, and share this with their community. How do you envision using this experience to benefit your students, colleagues, and community? (5,000 characters or less.) **Note: This is the most important selection criteria.**

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* 2. Describe your experience with and ability writing your own classroom activities. Please be specific and offer examples *You are welcome to submit an example in Section 3 of this application by uploading files. (2500 characters or less.)

* 3. Describe how you work as a member of a team. Use examples from your own experience including your role and the contributions you made to the team effort. (2500 characters or less.)

* 4. Discuss your ability to adapt to the physical and personal demands of life onboard a ship. (2500 characters or less.)

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Please tell us how you heard about NOAA's Teacher at Sea Program. Check any that apply:

☐ Email listserv. Please provide the name and/or URL:

☐ Friend or colleague. Please list type of relation (provide a name if you wish):

☐ Former TAS participant. Please provide name:

☐ Website. Please list the URL:

☐ Conference or presentation. Please list the venue and/or presentation title:

☐ Other (please explain):

If you have any suggestions for other places we might advertise, please list them here:

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