

PhD Graduate Research Opportunities in "Oceanography and Climate Change"

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I am seeking a motivated doctoral student to join my ocean/climate modeling group at UPenn. Possible scientific research directions include:

- The role of the Southern Ocean physics in the global energy and carbon budgets.
- Impact of climate change on ocean physics, biogeochemistry (nutrients, carbon, oxygen) and ecology. How do changes in ocean physics, ecology and chemistry affect the sink for atmospheric CO₂ and how will decadal to millenial changes in that sink affect in turn climate?
- Development of theoretical understanding on what controls the oceanic sink for atmospheric CO₂.
- Including evolutionary concepts and functional traits into ecological models and coupling them to comprehensive global climate models.
- Observing ocean biology from space.

Applicants must be self-motivated and hard working, with good written and verbal communication skills. A strong background in either physics, chemistry, oceanography, or atmospheric science is ideal. Past programming experience under the Linux environment (especially programming in Fortran and Matlab) is highly desirable.

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Full applications for the graduate program in the Earth and Environmental Science Department are due in December 2013. Please include in your application a CV, transcripts, general GRE scores, writing samples, and an essay detailing your specific interests in this field, as well as your relevant science and computational experience.