Advancing understanding of the Arctic and sharing knowledge...

**About ARCUS**

The Arctic Research Consortium of the U.S. (ARCUS), based in Fairbanks, Alaska, was formed in 1988 as a nonprofit member consortium of educational and scientific institutions that have a substantial commitment to arctic research. ARCUS facilitates discussion of important arctic research initiatives, produces science reports with research community recommendations for arctic science priorities, and distributes information resources to the arctic research community. ARCUS activities are funded through member dues and contracts and grants with federal and private entities.

**Education**

ARCUS offers educational opportunities and information resources to support advancement of knowledge and understanding of the Arctic and Antarctica. ARCUS programs serve as a gateway to these fascinating regions:

- PolarTREC (Teachers and Researchers Exploring and Collaborating in the Arctic and the Antarctic) pairs K–12 teachers with researchers to participate in cutting-edge polar science projects.
- PolarConnect virtually connects students and the public with field research in the Arctic and Antarctica.
- Arctic Visiting Speakers’ Series sponsors distinguished researchers and other arctic experts to visit community organizations and academic institutions for seminars, lectures, and discussions.

**Science Planning**

ARCUS facilitates scientific planning for arctic research by working with the science community through workshops, surveys, and other forums to define science priorities and research initiatives.

ARCUS also provides community science management for integrated interdisciplinary arctic research programs through information and meeting coordination, website development and maintenance, report and science plan production, and other outreach activities.

**Information and Outreach**

ARCUS provides information and outreach resources to facilitate arctic research efforts and collaboration, including:

- ArcticInfo E-mail Listserv provides information about funding opportunities, important events, publications, position announcements, and other useful news.
- Witness the Arctic is a newsletter on current arctic research efforts and findings, significant research initiatives, national policy affecting arctic research, international activities, and arctic research efforts at major research institutions.
- Directory of Arctic Researchers contains contact information and current research for individual arctic researchers.
- Arctic Forum is a symposium on current science activities, policy issues, and education that connects researchers, funding agencies, and the public.