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Career Pathway

After her first degree in physics at London’s Imperial College Margaret began work on a short-term contract at the Institute of Oceanographic Sciences (which later became the National Oceanography Centre). Margaret still loves the science and the work she started 30 years ago and has been on more research expeditions than she can count.

Support for equality and diversity

In an article for ‘Women in Oceanography’ Margaret gives many examples of how things are changing for the better. One great story involves a physics team she put together for a 2011 Antarctic cruise which consisted of six women and one man. She says “Some of the women had not been to sea for some years while their children were very young: their excitement and enthusiasm at returning to sea made that cruise particularly enjoyable and hugely successful.”