National Oceanography Centre
CAREER PROFILE

Senior Research Scientist in Ocean Biogeochemistry and Ecosystems

Dr Stephanie Henson

Stephanie is a senior research scientist leading an active research group in global biogeochemical oceanography.

Career Pathway

After gaining an undergraduate degree in physics Stephanie took a Masters in oceanography, inspired by the applied aspects of the work and seeing the University of Southampton's research vessel! The next step on Stephanie's career path was a PhD, followed by postdocs in the US. The award of a NERC Fellowship brought her back to NOC, and she has since remained at the NOC in a full time position.

Support for equality and diversity

In an article for 'Women in Oceanography' Stephanie says "Having started out as a physicist, where I was only one of eight women in a class of more than one hundred, I was amazed to find during my PhD studies that there were so many female oceanography students." However, Stephanie recognises that within the scientific community there is still a way to go in increasing diversity at the top of many departments, committees and activities and is proud to be a role model as a senior research scientist at the NOC.