Logistics for the Introduction to Aquatic Cytometry Course – September 25-29, 2017

Dates/Times:

The course starts on Monday morning, September 25th and ends the evening of September 29th.

Location:

The Course will be held on the campus of Bigelow Laboratory for Ocean Sciences in East Boothbay, Maine, in our main building. The physical address is:

60 Bigelow Drive East Boothbay, Maine 04544

(Some GPS systems may be out of date – if your system is unable to locate "60 Bigelow Drive", try "300 Ocean Point Road"

Lodging:

The Graham Shimmield Residence Hall is a new (2017) 15,000-square-foot facility on our research and education campus for students and visiting scientists, located just a short walk from our main laboratory. Overlooking the Damariscotta River, Shimmield Hall was funded by a \$3.1 million grant from the Harold Alfond Foundation and a matching gift from an anonymous donor. With 32 dormitory beds and four apartments for visiting scientists, it is now possible for the Laboratory to house program participants, students, and visiting scientists safely and comfortably on site while they participate in our many educational and collaborative research programs. Energy efficiency, ease of maintenance, and respect for the surrounding environment are all embodied by the design. The two-story structure provides a communal student kitchen and social area, adaptable meeting space that can serve as an auditorium or recreation area, and fitness and laundry areas.

For the course each participant will stay in a private dorm room with shared bathroom facilities (two people per bath). If you are opting not to stay at the residence, please let us know so that we may plan accordingly.

Travel coordination:

May we share your email address with your fellow students for the purpose of coordinating travel arrangements? In the past, some students have shared the expense of a car rental or a shuttle from the Portland airport (PWM) or Boston's Logan International (BOS). Please let me know if you are interested in carpooling or coordinating an airport shuttle.

International Students:

For those of you who will be traveling from outside the US, please make sure you have your passports/travel visas in order. Please let us know as soon as possible if you need a letter of enrollment/invitation from us in order to obtain a visa.

TRAVEL

By Air:

Plan to fly into Portland, Maine, USA (PWM) or Boston, Massachusetts, USA (BOS) (not Bangor or Augusta, Maine). From there take a shuttle to the Boothbay region (see below). You may want to rent a car. Drive time from Portland is about 1.5 hours, drive time from Boston is about 3.5 hours.

Country Coach Charters is an airport shuttle option offering door-to-door service 24/7, 365 days a year. Round trip fare (Portland Airport to Boothbay area) for their 6-person Suburban is about \$175. To and from Logan Airport in Boston the fare is about \$480. For more information visit the Country Coach Charters website or call 1-207-832-7241 or 1-207-380-7201. A few other options include the Mid-Coast Limo and public buses along the mid-coast via Concord Coach Lines.

Miscellaneous:

At the laboratory, you will be required to wear a lab coat. If you have one, please bring one. If not, we will have lab coats available.

Meals - Continental breakfast (muffins, fruit, yogurt, coffee & tea etc...) will be provided Monday - Friday at the course. Lunch (i.e. wraps, soup and salads, sandwiches, chips) will be provided Monday - Friday. The course will host one dinner on Thursday evening during the course.

Questions? Please email me at npoulton@bigelow.org

We look forward to seeing you in September!