**Opportunity Summary**

The Antarctic Instrumentation, Facilities, and Special Projects and Earth Science Programs in the Antarctic Sciences Section of the National Science Foundation's (NSF) Division of Polar Programs provides support for the curation and long-term storage of core material collected on the Antarctic continent and its margins, and other Polar regions. This national collection of geologic materials is an important resource for scientific research on earth history, ice sheet development, and climate variability on the Antarctic continent and in the Southern Ocean. In addition, the cores and the data collected from these cores, are important resources for training the next generation of scientists.

Currently, the Antarctic Marine Geology Research Facility (AMGRF) at Florida State University (FSU) is fulfilling this role. FSU has been an effective steward of these marine cores for many years but the University has recently notified NSF that continued operation of the AMGRF is no longer central to the long term vision of the University. Consequently, this solicitation seeks a qualified organization to provide core curation services for geological cores collected in the Polar Regions.

**Eligibility & Requirements:**

- There are no restrictions or limits

**Internal Nomination Process:**

Interested applicants should send the following documents in sequence in one PDF to resapp@jhu.edu no later than 4 p.m. on June 30, 2016:

1. JHU Limited Submission Cover Sheet
2. Abstract (one page, double-spaced)
3. Proposal (maximum of four pages of text only, single spaced: 12-pt font and one-inch margins)  
   (Note: figures, tables, and other reference material should not be included as text)
4. Curriculum Vitae of investigator, including current external research support and publications
5. Budget (two pages maximum)
6. Letter of Recommendation from the Department Chair/Director. *Letters of Recommendation can be submitted separately to resapp@jhu.edu stating the applicant’s name in the subject line.*

Each applicant should expect to receive a confirmation of receipt of their materials. Applicants not receiving an acknowledgement, or having any questions, should contact Brittany McMahon via resapp@jhu.edu.