Admissions Process

The Admissions Committee consists of the following faculty:

WHOI Associate Dean
WHOI Education Coordinators
A member of each WHOI department

Applications are due January 5 of every year

Two faculty from each discipline review all applications and select top ~15 (end of the third week of January)

Department meetings to shorten list to ~10 (end of January)

Admissions committee reviews all files on short list and meets ("Bread Cheese meeting") to finalize (~1st week of Feb)

Joint Committees meet and decide who to admit/waitlist/decline

JP Committee final admissions decisions are made (end of the second week of February)

To admit a student, one or more faculty are expected to:

- 1) have at least a year of funding in hand, and
- 2) be willing to commit to raising the remainder of funds for the full five years

Exceptions - very highly ranked students may receive an internal fellowship (and (2) above still holds)