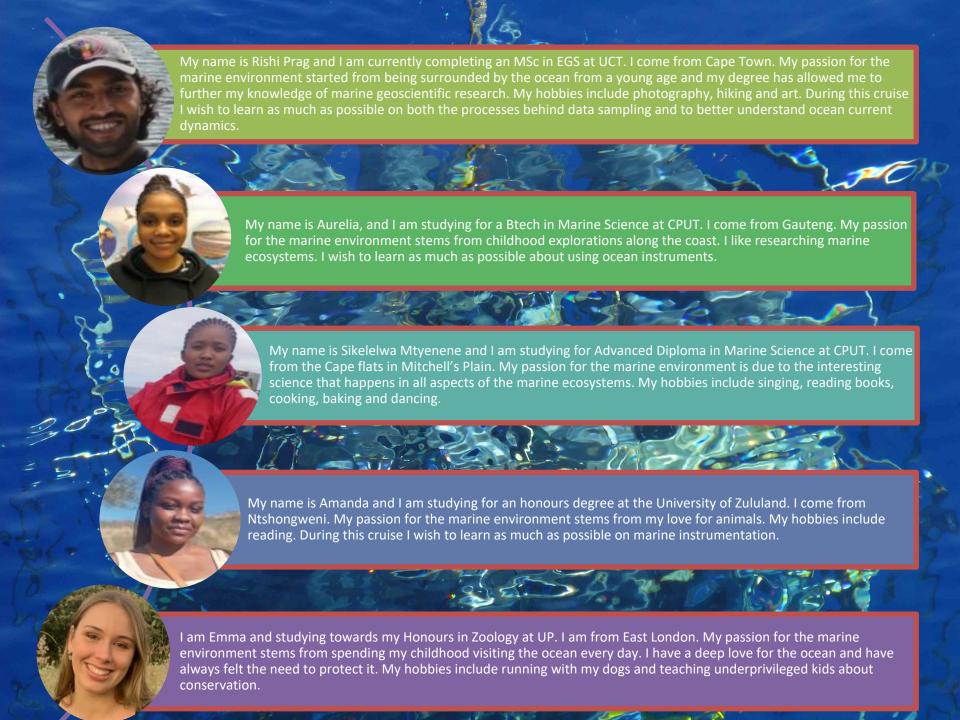


My name is Elizabeth Carr and I am studying for a BSc Honours degree in Geography at the University of the Free State. I come from Mkhondo (Piet Retief). My passion for the marine environment is due to spending every December holiday at the coast. My hobbies include hiking and playing Ultimate Frisbee. During this cruise I wish to learn as much as possible about marine science and data collection. My name is Kezia and I am studying for a MSc degree at UCT. I come from Cape Town. My passion for the marine environment is due to my desire to conserve its essential ecosystems. My hobbies include drawing. During this cruise I wish to learn as much as possible on various marine biology techniques and immerse myself in this opportunity. My name is Tristan. I hold a Master of Science: Environmental Science degree from the University of KwaZulu-Natal. My passion for the marine environment comes from my interest in sea level change. During this cruise, I wish to learn as much as possible about marine data collection and analysis. My name is Magalekana Olwethu and I am an intern at NRF-SAIAB. I come from Tabankulu in Eastern Cape. My passion for the marine environment is due to a combination of awe and appreciation for its beauty and a sense of responsibility for its conservation. My hobbies include photography and swimming. During this cruise I wish to learn on various aspects of marine science. My name is Clea Welch and I am studying Ocean and Atmosphere Science at UCT. I come from Pretoria and moved to Cape Town in 2019. My passion for the marine environment is due to SCUBA diving. During this cruise I wish to learn as much as possible about research at sea, the skills and techniques required to work with a team of scientists. I hope to gain more hands-on exposure to ocean observation and to be able to apply my theoretical knowledge of the ocean in a practical manner.





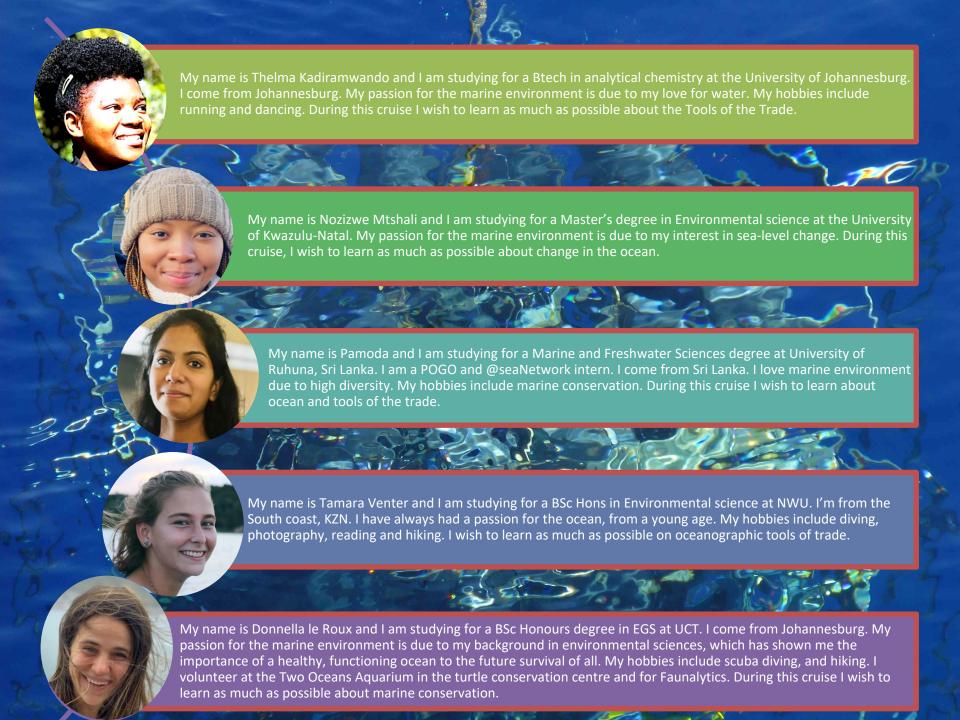












## Who are the learners on SEAmester VII?

My name is Aimee Stollie and I am a learner in marine science at Morester Akademie in Vanrhynsdorp. The SA Agulhas II, a South African research vessel, enables crucial oceanographic studies, advancing our knowledge of marine ecosystems and the environment. As an eager learner, I aim to seize this opportunity to expand my horizons, gain hands-on experience, and contribute to collaborative research efforts.

My name is Akhona Zondo and I am a learner studying marine science at the Simons Town school. The ocean's mysteries fascinate me, and SEAmester offers a transformative opportunity to explore marine sciences, break barriers, and inspire my community through hands-on learning and research aboard the SA Agulhas II.

My name is Makgotlho Kwena Oratile, and I am a 16-year-old Grade 11 learner at Alfred B Makapan Secondary School in Mokopane, Mosesetjane Village. I am studying mathematics and sciences, and after matriculation, I aspire to study marine biology at the University of Cape Town. I have a passion for athletics, particularly the 1500m race. During my free time, I enjoy playing soccer with the children in my neighbourhood.

My name is Molonyama Mpono Leon, and I am a 17-year-old Grade 11 student at Alfred B Makapan Secondary School in Mokopane, Ga Magongoa Section. I am currently studying mathematics and science subjects, and after matriculation, I aspire to pursue a degree in marine engineering at the University of Cape Town. In my free time, I enjoy playing soccer with my friends and teammates, exercising at home, listening to music, and indulging in delicious food.