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I finished POMOR program in 2013 and started my PhD at MARUM soon after. I don't want to sound cliché, but it indeed changed my life quite dramatically. After studying chemistry, I was lingering for something new and exciting, maybe another natural sciences topic? With recommendation from a previous POMOR graduate, I applied and honestly was even surprised how much I liked the program and marine sciences topic for that matter! I truly believe that interdisciplinary approach especially at the master level is a must. After all, most of students usually have a solid scientific background already, and with POMOR they are given a chance to discover an amazing world of polar and marine sciences, rich with topics varying from indigenous peoples history in the Arctic to microorganisms as proxies for climate reconstruction. Other multiple advantages are quite obvious: double diploma, full English program, semester abroad, wide scientific network... Statistics speaks for itself, and it is not surprising that the program of this quality opens so many doors for its graduates. Even now, years after and not even working in science anymore (but staying a scientist in forever), I warmly think about the times at POMOR and couldn't be more grateful and happy that I made the decision back than to join the program.

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