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Cindy received a B.A. in Geology in 1978 from the University of Vermont followed by a M.A. and Ph.D. in Geology from Harvard University. After graduation, she continued to work as a Visiting Investigator at Woods Hole Oceanographic Institute and a Post-Doctoral Associate at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. She also became a Research Associate/Adjunct Professor at Duke University Marine Laboratory, an Assistant Scientist at the Monterey Bay Aquarium Research Institute and an Associate Professor of Oceanography at the University of Maine. Today she is a Principal Investigator at the Bigelow Laboratory for Ocean Sciences in Maine.

Dr. Pilskaln continues to be a scientist and educator. Her cutting edge research focuses on the determination of the global significance of biological production and water column chemical processes to the deposition of deep-sea sediments and the regulation of atmospheric carbon dioxide. Her educational interests include teaching at the university level, teaching and mentoring in K-12, and taking part in educational films about the ocean. She has also developed an interactive web site about ongoing Antarctic research.

Cindy enjoys studying oceans all over the world as she meets new challenges. She finds her work rewarding because she always has new questions to answer and problems to solve. She would like students to know that oceanography is an exciting and fun career.