The Arctic

Everyone intuitively has a sense of where the Arctic is however many people working within the Arctic do not consider themselves Arctic researchers.

Am I an Arctic researcher?

The map below shows the variety in the definition of the Arctic as outlined by the Arctic council's six working groups.

The US, Canada and Russia have more complex boundaries that include northern Russia, northern Canada and northern and western Alaska.

Contrary to what many people think the Arctic region does not stop at the Arctic circle.

Finland, Iceland, Greenland and the Faroe Islands all consider their entire territory to be Arctic.

Norway uses the Arctic circle to define its Arctic region.