

**Position ID**

E17-30

**Position Title**

International Liaison: Ocean Acidification Coordination and Capacity Building

**Office Name**

Ocean Acidification Program, NOAA

**Portfolio Summary**

NOAA's Ocean Acidification Program seeks a Sea Grant fellow to advance international capacity efforts and stakeholder engagement in support of the Office of Ocean and Atmospheric Research in Silver Spring, MD. NOAA's Ocean Acidification Program has helped lead the establishment of a Global Ocean Acidification Observing Network, which is comprised of international researchers, modelers, and policymakers working to build an integrated global observing network capable of identifying hot-spots for ocean acidification and create an early warning system for vulnerable communities around the globe. Ocean acidification stakeholders are diverse and include the aquaculture and fisheries industries, marine and coastal managers, government and academic scientists, non-governmental organizations, and others. The fellow will work to facilitate engagement and promote the further development of GOA-ON Regional Hubs, which allow for more localized organizing efforts. The fellow will also be involved in sustained capacity building, by overseeing Pier2Peer, an international scientific mentorship program matching senior marine researchers with junior scientists or those new to the OA field. In addition, the fellow will also provide general scientific, programmatic, and administrative support for the program office in Silver Spring, MD. Other areas of focus could include projects with the Department of State, the Ocean Acidification International Coordination Center, and participation in bilateral meetings with other countries. The fellow will be a valuable addition to the team in supporting the office Director and Deputy Director in management of a diverse research portfolio, interaction with international scientists, and engagement with stakeholders. The candidate will have the opportunity to develop an independent project specific to their interests that supports these program efforts.

**Expertise Desired**

Strong writing and communication skills and the ability to work as part of a team. While not an absolute requirement, a knowledge of biogeochemistry, marine chemistry, and/or species response to ocean acidification will be helpful.

**Travel within DC (days per month)**

Up to 10 days Days/Month

**Travel outside DC (days per month)**

Up to 10 days Days/Month

**Accepts Foreign Nationals**

Yes