

Position ID

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Position Title

NOAA Research - Science Liaison

Office Name

Office of Policy, Planning, and Evaluation (US DOC, NOAA, OAR, PPE), NOAA

Portfolio Summary

As a Science Liaison in Policy Planning and Evaluation (PPE), the fellow will work to facilitate collaboration and coordination between NOAA's Office of Oceanic and Atmospheric Research's (OAR) laboratories. OAR's seven laboratories conduct an integrated program of research, technology development, and services to improve the understanding of Earth's atmosphere, oceans and inland waters, and to describe and predict changes occurring to them. The labs and their field stations are located across the country and around the world. The Fellow will develop a knowledge and understanding of the scientific activities and research plans of OAR's federal labs with regard to physical, chemical, and biological oceanography and limnology, as well as atmospheric and climate sciences. In so doing, the Fellow will be able to work to accomplish two tasks within PPE: (1) Support the planning and establishment of a recurring OAR Science Forums, an event which brings 70 – 100 OAR scientists together around specific topics to promote collaboration. The fellow will work with the steering committee to prepare background materials, scope framing subjects, and help facilitate new collaborations that emerge from the Forums; and (2) Coordinate and assist in the communication between OAR Headquarters and the OAR labs. The Fellow will use her/his analytical and communication skills to analyze science programs and the relationship with and impacts of national and NOAA policies on OAR laboratory science policy, planning, and evaluation. There is flexibility and opportunity to define the Fellow's duties in such a way that they capitalize on her/his knowledge, experiences and interests. The Fellow will be expected to execute assignments with creativity, skill, and independence.

Expertise Desired

Experience in a laboratory environment. Experience running virtual meeting software (e.g. GoToMeeting, Polycom VTC, etc.) and operating a website content management system (e.g., DNN Evoq formerly Dot Net Nuke). Experience with MS Project would be useful. Experience working in and with a team. A sincere interest in helping scientists from multiple disciplines identify common points of interest within their work to improve the overall quality of Research within the OAR enterprise.

Travel within DC (days per month)

1-3 days per month

Travel outside DC (days per month)

1-3 days per month

Accepts Foreign Nationals

Yes