

**Position ID**

E17-54

**Position Title**

Ocean Observing Policy Fellow

**Office Name**

U.S. Integrated Ocean Observing System Office (IOOS), NOAA

**Portfolio Summary**

U.S. IOOS is a truly unique and dynamic program in the federal government within NOAA. IOOS leads the nation in advancing ocean observing throughout the U.S. by connecting federal and non-federal partners at local, national, and global levels. By partnering with 17 federal agencies, 11 regional associations covering all the U.S. coastal and Great Lakes waters, and with industry, academia, and tribes, IOOS creates interactive, custom tailored tools that directly benefit the economy, public safety, and the environment. IOOS works at the intersection of public and private cooperation, facilitating and managing federal money, policies, and needs while coordinating delivery of critical technology and information. As a small and relatively new program, there is no shortage of ways to contribute to the office and the IOOS mission. Specifically, we are looking for an Ocean Observing Science, Technology, and Policy Fellow to lead development of a new strategic plan for U.S. IOOS, one that reflects the IOOS office goals as well as those of our interagency and non-federal partners. Because of the size of our office, you will have the chance to work closely with IOOS leadership, learning how our program is managed, including different leadership styles. You will work with both the IOOS Director and Deputy Director through this process, and you will have the opportunity to visit and network with NASA, the National Science Foundation, U.S. Coast Guard, Navy, Marine Mammal Commission, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, and U.S. Geological Survey, among others. You will have the opportunity to work with local and regional observing partners to understand how IOOS is improving the safety and economy of local coastal communities facing significant challenges due to sea level rise and storms of increasing intensity and frequency. We want you to join us. Help us build stronger coalitions with our diverse partners and stakeholders, both within and outside of NOAA.

**Expertise Desired**

Strong written and oral communication skills; excellent collaboration and team building skills; enthusiasm and drive to engage and bring together stakeholders from diverse ocean observing communities

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

3-5

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

1-3

**Accepts Foreign Nationals**

Yes