GROW YOUR CAREER and MAKE A DIFFERENCE

NOAA is a federal agency working with states, local governments, and other organizations to maintain economic and environmental prosperity for the coast.

NOAA’s Office for Coastal Management offers four fellowship programs, each designed to create the next generation of leaders and contribute to ongoing efforts to address the coastal challenges of today and tomorrow.

Coastal Fellowships
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Fellowship Opportunities
- Coastal Management Fellowship
- Digital Coast Fellowship
- Coral Reef Management Fellowship
- Margaret A. Davidson Graduate Fellowship
Coastal Management Fellowship
Chosen applicants participate in a matching session with state coastal zone management programs to determine the projects that are the best fit.

- This is a two-year program.
- Up to six fellows are chosen per year.
- Applicants must have a master’s, Ph.D., or professional degree.
- Each project aligns with at least one of the following themes: healthy coastal ecosystems; resilient coastal communities; or vibrant and sustainable coastal economies.

Digital Coast Fellowship
The Digital Coast is a website that provides data and information for the coastal management community. The Digital Coast Partnership comprises eight organizations that help direct the site’s content and work to increase the resiliency of the nation’s coastal communities. Fellows work on projects that further the partnership efforts.

- This is a two-year program.
- Three fellows are chosen every other year. Each fellow is assigned to one of the partnership organizations.
- Applicants must have a master’s, Ph.D., or professional degree.
- Projects advance the NOAA and Digital Coast mission.

Coral Reef Management Fellowship
This fellowship provides state and territorial coral reef management agencies with highly qualified candidates to respond to the need for additional coral reef management capacity.

- This is a two-year program.
- Seven fellows are placed every other year in flagship coral states and territories.
- Applicants must have an undergraduate degree.
- Projects are focused on applied science. Topics include climate change, land-based sources of pollution, fishing impacts, and coral reef restoration.

Margaret A. Davidson Graduate Fellowship
This is the newest fellowship program, and is focused on research in social or natural sciences.

- This is a two-year program.
- There will be 29 fellows chosen every other year. Each fellow will work at one of the National Estuarine Research Reserves.
- Applicants must be current master’s or doctoral degree students.
- Projects will include field research that communities use to understand coastal challenges and develop results-oriented approaches.

For More Information
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