GROW YOUR CAREER and MAKE A DIFFERENCE

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

NOAA’s Office for Coastal Management is committed to making coastal fellowships accessible to all interested and eligible candidates, allowing all fellows to be comfortable in their identities and participate fully in their fellowship program, and removing the barriers that would lessen each fellow’s ability to become a part of the next generation of coastal leaders.

Fellowship Opportunities
- Coastal Management Fellowship
- Digital Coast Fellowship
- Coral Reef Management Fellowship
- Margaret A. Davidson Graduate Fellowship

Coastal Management Fellowships
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Coastal Management Fellowship
Chosen applicants are placed with state coastal zone management programs. At the matching workshop, the states showcase their project needs and are matched with the fellows interested in that subject matter.

- This is a two-year program.
- Up to nine fellows are chosen per year.
- Applicants must have a masters, PhD, 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 data and information website for the coastal management community. The Digital Coast Partnership consists of eight organizations that help direct the site’s content and work to increase the resilience of the nation’s coastal communities.

- This is a two-year program.
- Three fellows are chosen every other year. Each fellow is assigned to one of the eight Digital Coast Partnership member organizations.
- Applicants must have a Masters, PhD, or professional degree.
- Projects advance the NOAA and Digital Coast missions, and further partnership efforts.

Coral Reef Management Fellowship
This fellowship provides state and territorial coral reef management agencies with highly qualified candidates ready to expand the work of the Coral Reef Conservation Program.

- This is a two-year program.
- Seven fellows are chosen every other year.
- 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 and collaboration with local experts and communities.

- This is a two-year program.
- One fellow is selected every other year to work at one of the 30 national estuarine research reserves.
- Applicants must be current master’s or doctoral degree students.
- Projects include field research that communities use to develop results-oriented approaches for addressing coastal challenges.

For More Information
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