

**Opportunity Title:** EPA Ocean and Coastal Management Fellowship

**Opportunity Reference Code:** EPA-OW-OWOW-2020-0008

**Organization** U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)

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- An application
- Transcript(s) – For this opportunity, an unofficial transcript or copy of the student academic records printed by the applicant or by academic advisors from internal institution systems may be submitted. All transcripts must be in English or include an official English translation. Click [here](#) for detailed information about acceptable transcripts.
- A current resume/CV, including academic history, employment history, relevant experiences, and publication list
- Two educational or professional recommendations. Click [here](#) for detailed information about recommendations.

All documents must be in English or include an official English translation.

**Application Deadline** 1/7/2021 3:00:00 PM Eastern Time Zone

**Description** \*Applications may be reviewed on a rolling-basis and this posting could close before the deadline. Click [here](#) for information about the selection process.

**EPA Office/Lab and Location:** Two research opportunities are available at the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) in the Office of Water (OW), Office of Wetlands, Oceans and Watersheds (OWOW), Oceans and Coastal Management Branch (OCMB) located in Washington, DC.

**Research Project:** The Oceans and Coastal Management Branch serves as the primary EPA office working on ocean and coastal issues for the Agency. The branch leads ocean and coastal programs associated with coral reefs, ocean acidification, climate adaptation, vessel pollution, and coastal wetlands. More specifically, our programs are responsible for the development of polices, guidance, regulations, and for the coordination and implementation of efforts to protect ocean and coastal resources. To accomplish these efforts the branch works closely with all of EPA's HQ Program Offices, the 10 EPA Regional Offices, and the Agency's partners in states, tribes, and local communities.

**Learning Objectives:** This research opportunity will provide the research participant with excellent exposure to a broad range of scientific, legal, and policy issues pertaining to ocean and coastal issues. Under the guidance of a mentor, the research participant will have an opportunity to learn about the role of international, federal, state and local governments in ocean and coastal management and about the interaction between the various levels of government and the private sector on these issues. Specifically, this project provides an opportunity to research and analyze data associated with ocean and coastal pollution.



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**Mentor(s):** The mentor for these opportunities is Katherine Weiler ([weiler.katherine@epa.gov](mailto:weiler.katherine@epa.gov)). If you have questions about the nature of the research please contact the mentor(s).

**Anticipated Appointment Start Date:** ~Winter 2020 / 2021. All start dates are flexible and vary depending on numerous factors. Click [here](#) for detailed information about start dates.

**Appointment Length:** The appointment will initially be for one year and may be renewed up to three additional years upon EPA recommendation and subject to availability of funding.

**Level of Participation:** The appointment is full-time.

**Participant Stipend:** The participant will receive a monthly stipend commensurate with educational level and experience. At this time, master's degree stipends are ~\$59,534 per year. Click [here](#) for detailed information about full-time stipends.

**EPA Security Clearance:** Completion of a successful background investigation by the Office of Personnel Management (OPM) is required for an applicant to be on-boarded at EPA.

**ORISE Information:** This program, administered by ORAU through its contract with the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) to manage the Oak Ridge Institute for Science and Education (ORISE), was established through an interagency agreement between DOE and EPA. Participants do not become employees of EPA, DOE or the program administrator, and there are no employment-related benefits. Proof of health insurance is required for participation in this program. Health insurance can be obtained through ORISE.

**Questions:** Please see the [FAQ section](#) of our website. After reading, if you have additional questions about the application process please email [EPArpp@orau.org](mailto:EPArpp@orau.org) and include the reference code for this opportunity.

**Qualifications** The qualified candidate should have received a master's or doctoral degree in one of the relevant fields, or be currently pursuing one of the degrees and will reach completion by the anticipated start date. Degree must have been received within five years of the appointment start date.

Candidates with strong communication, writing, and analytical skills are preferred.

- Eligibility Requirements**
- **Citizenship:** U.S. Citizen Only
  - **Degree:** Master's Degree or Doctoral Degree received within the last 60 months or anticipated to be received by 1/31/2021 11:59:00 PM.
  - **Discipline(s):**
    - **Chemistry and Materials Sciences** ([1](#))
    - **Earth and Geosciences** ([21](#))
    - **Engineering** ([27](#))
    - **Environmental and Marine Sciences** ([14](#))
    - **Life Health and Medical Sciences** ([46](#))
  - **Veteran Status:** Veterans Preference, degree received within the last 120 month(s).

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