



AOOS JOB ANNOUNCEMENT

Alaska Ocean Observing System

AOOS is a regional network representing a consortium of federal, state and local agencies, research organizations, and private industry committed to tracking, predicting, and adapting to changes in Alaska's coastal and ocean environment. AOOS is part of the national Integrated Ocean Observing System (IOOS) and the Global Ocean Observing System (GOOS). For more information, see www.aos.org. AOOS works in partnership with Axiom Data Science to maintain the Ocean Data Explorer data portal.

AOOS is seeking to fill three roles within our organization and due to their overlapping and synchronous natures these roles could be filled by one or more employees working anywhere from a half-time to a full-time basis.

The information below applies to all three roles:

Work Location and Considerations

The Alaska Ocean Observing System office is in Anchorage, Alaska and our staff is currently working in a hybrid fashion from home and the office. We are looking for new hires to ideally be based in Anchorage so they can engage with AOOS staff, colleagues, and AOOS and OA Network stakeholders. AOOS will not be able to pay for relocation expenses for this role.

Compensation

We offer a competitive salary, flexible working conditions, and an excellent benefits package with a generous leave policy through the Alaska SeaLife Center, the AOOS fiscal sponsor. We are offering a salary range on a full-time basis of \$75K - \$80K.

Travel

There will be some travel in Alaska and in the United States associated with this position.

To apply

Please submit a letter of interest with your proposal on what roles you could fill and at what level of effort per week and your resume to Holly Kent by May 25, 2022. If selected for an interview, you will be asked to submit writing samples.

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OCEAN ACIDIFICATION NETWORK COORDINATOR ROLE

This role is based in Alaska and works with the AOOS Executive Director and staff, the AOOS board and committees, the Alaska Ocean Acidification Network, partners, and stakeholders to advance the Alaska Ocean Acidification Network through science collaboration, outreach and engagement.

Responsibilities

- Working with scientists to improve research coordination on ocean acidification (OA) in Alaska (identifying gaps, highlighting priorities, communicating across disciplines)
- Engaging with stakeholders to identify OA information needs around the state and develop strategies within the network to best meet those needs.
- Forming and facilitating connections between OA researchers and Alaska stakeholders
- Facilitating meetings, working groups and workshops that include researchers, fishermen, Tribes, shellfish growers, educators, and others (separately or together)
- Expanding engagement with rural and Tribal communities
- Presenting at public forums, including to local communities, interested stakeholder groups, and at national meetings and conferences
- Distilling new ocean acidification findings into understandable terms and developing outreach materials for a variety of audiences
- Maintaining and expanding OA Network communication pathways (network website, social media, monthly electronic newsletter, etc.)
- Engaging with the ocean acidification community beyond Alaska (NOAA's Ocean Acidification program, other ocean acidification networks and researchers, the Global Ocean Acidification Network, etc).

Desired experience and skills

- Bachelor's degree in science or environmental field plus Master's degree or minimum 5 years relevant experience
- Demonstrated ability to think strategically and develop a vision for collaborative partnerships
- Demonstrated ability to work across disciplines.
- Experience working across culturally diverse groups, and knowledge of Alaska indigenous groups and Tribal governance structure
- Excellent written and oral communication and presentation skills, including ease in communicating complex concepts in a clear, effective manner for a general audience.
- Experience with project management
- Strong interpersonal skills, including the ability to facilitate groups with diverse opinions.
- Ability to thrive in and contribute to a positive team environment
- Experience with creative problem solving
- Recognized ability to approach projects strategically, prioritize time, and meet multiple deadlines by maintaining a high level of organization.
- Passion for Alaska's oceans and people!

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OUTREACH COORDINATOR ROLE

This role is based in Anchorage and works with the AOOS Executive Director and staff, the AOOS board and committees, the AOOS Data Management team (Axiom Data Science), partners, and stakeholders to develop and implement the AOOS vision and program with regard to outreach and communications.

Responsibilities

Responsibilities include:

- Translating marine science into understandable language for diverse audiences through outreach materials, presentations, and engagement
- Working with AOOS staff to update and implement the AOOS outreach plan
- Working with Axiom staff to expand outreach and usability of the AOOS data portal
- Giving public presentations and representing the AOOS program in public forums
- Maintaining the AOOS website, social media, impact report, newsletters, and other existing outlets while looking for new avenues for communication and engagement
- Supporting existing and new partnerships related to coastal hazards, navigation safety, climate change, and ecosystem impacts
- Assisting with other aspects of the AOOS program

Desired experience and skills

- Bachelor's degree in science or environmental field. Minimum 5 years relevant experience, or Master's degree.
- Excellent written and oral communication and presentation skills, including ease in communicating complex concepts in a clear, effective manner for a general audience.
- Proficiency in Microsoft Office and the Google environment. High level competency in various communications platforms (Mailchimp, Survey Monkey, etc.).
- Strong interpersonal skills, including the ability to facilitate groups with diverse opinions.
- Ability to thrive in and contribute to a positive team environment
- Experience working across culturally diverse groups, and knowledge of Alaska indigenous groups and Tribal governance structure
- Experience with creative problem solving
- Recognized ability to meet multiple deadlines by maintaining a high level of organization.
- Experience with social media
- Graphic design skills appreciated by not necessary
- Passion for Alaska's oceans and people!

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT COORDINATOR ROLE

This role is based in Anchorage and works with the AOOS Executive Director and staff, the AOOS board and committees, the AOOS Data Management team (Axiom Data Science), partners, and stakeholders to develop and implement the AOOS vision and program with regard to community engagement.

Responsibilities

Responsibilities include:

- Expanding relationships with stakeholders across Alaska to help understand stakeholder needs and ensure AOOS is producing products and resources to meet those needs
- Working with Program Coordinators to develop community engagement strategies for AOOS programs including; the Alaska Ocean Acidification Network, the Alaska Harmful Algal Bloom Network, the Alaska Ecosystem Monitoring Network, and the Regional Ocean Data Sharing Partnership
- Expanding engagement with rural and Tribal communities
- Facilitating meetings, working groups and workshops that include researchers, fishermen, Tribes, shellfish growers, educators, and others (separately or together)
- Translating marine science into understandable language for diverse audiences through outreach materials, presentations, and engagement
- Giving public presentations and representing the AOOS program in public forums
- Assisting with other aspects of the AOOS program

Desired experience and skills

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