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Subject: Postdoctoral Fellowship Opportunity @ The Nature Conservancy

The Nature Conservancy (TNC) is pleased to solicit applications for the NatureNet Science Fellows program (https://urldefense.proofpoint.com/v2/url?u=https-3A__naturenetsciencefellows.org_&d=DwIF-g&c=Ngd-ta5yRYsqeUsEDgxhcqsYYY1Xs5ogLxWPA_2Wlc4&r=e2OJ1azRFn8ihJzb2HxZT0AqoiqLvxfeeTyN59ZLoI&m=Em-KnNK95mFSn9T_ZzmJ78TqB5K-P868rfsQlnF7bWc&s=P9QiIc1Isbsh16DJ-6dJ22xADjJWUbuFctoYi-ViMuw&e=), a trans-disciplinary postdoctoral fellowship program aimed at bridging academic excellence and conservation practice to mitigate, and adapt to, climate change. The NatureNet Science Fellowships offers outstanding early-career scientists and engineers the opportunity to improve and expand their research skills while directing their efforts toward problems at the interface of climate, conservation, business, technology, and people. Recognizing that our conservation mission is best advanced by the contributions of individuals of diverse backgrounds, beliefs and cultures- we encourage applicants from all cultures, races, colors, religions, sexes, national or regional origins, ages, disability status, sexual orientations, gender identities, military or veteran status or other status protected by law.

Fellows will work with a Nature Conservancy mentor and a hosting senior scholar (or scholars) to develop a research program. This joint mentorship model allows for fellows to take fundamental research questions and the traditional support provided by universities and embed themselves in the practice of applied conservation through TNC networks. Fellows will also spend up to two weeks each year in science communications training and intensive collaboration and problem-solving opportunities.

The 2018 call for applications features two post-doctoral opportunities the Full Postdoctoral Fellowship and a Research Grant:

Full Postdoctoral Fellowship

Applicants identify and work with a Nature Conservancy mentor and a senior scholar (or scholars) from our 2018 partner universities- Arizona State University; Brown University; Cornell University; Columbia University; University of California - Los Angeles; or the University of Pennsylvania to develop a research program. Eligible individuals will 1) Not be employed as a post-doctoral student (at another university) at the start of this fellowship and 2) Have completed their doctorate within five years before the application close date in November. Applicants who have not yet completed their doctorate must clearly indicate on the application the date the degree is expected. The Conservancy expects post-doctoral appointments to start between May and September. Each Fellow will receive a non-negotiable annual salary of \$50,000 plus benefits, with the postdoctoral position expected to run for two consecutive years. In addition to the stipend, each Fellow receives an annual travel budget of approximately \$5,000 and an annual research fund of approximately \$20,000. Second-year renewal of the fellowship is contingent upon satisfactory progress and contribution to the collective program.

Research Grant

Applicants and a university mentor from their host institution collaborate with a Nature Conservancy mentor to develop a research application. Eligible individuals will 1) Hold a post-doctoral position at an accredited university or research institution at the time of application and 2) Have completed their doctorate within five years before the application close date in November. Each grantee will receive a research stipend of \$20,000, with the grant period expected to run for two consecutive years. Second-year renewal of the grant is contingent upon satisfactory progress and contribution to the collective program. The Conservancy will distribute grant funds between May and September. Funds are awarded directly to the grantee's institution and may be used by the grantee for such purposes as equipment, technical assistance, professional travel, trainee support, or any other activity directly related to the grantees's research. Salary support is limited to a maximum of two months of the established academic salary.

For more information on the NatureNet science Fellowship and Research Grants, to identify TNC and university mentors, and to apply please visit: https://urldefense.proofpoint.com/v2/url?u=https-3A__naturenetsciencefellows.org_&d=DwIF-g&c=Ngd-ta5yRYsqeUsEDgxhcqsYYY1Xs5ogLxWPA_2Wlc4&r=e2OJ1azRFn8ihJzb2HxZT0AqoiqLvxfeeTyN59ZLoI&m=Em-KnNK95mFSn9T_ZzmJ78TqB5K-P868rfsQlnF7bWc&s=P9QiIc1Isbsh16DJ-6dJ22xADjJWUbuFctoYi-ViMuw&e=

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