

## **Economist Associate**

**Location:** Office of National Marine Sanctuaries, Silver Spring, MD

**Supervisor:** Vice President

### Overview of position:

The Economist Associate is responsible for aiding in the implementation of a socioeconomic program and research for the Office of National Marine Sanctuaries through engaging in public/private partnerships, supporting economic and social science research, characterization, valuation, and assessment efforts. This position is also responsible for communicating socioeconomic contributions and impacts relating to National Marine Sanctuaries to the surrounding communities and promoting national marine sanctuaries on behalf of the Foundation by responding to inquiries from general public or other agencies or organizations, attends professional meetings to present research done at national marine sanctuary sites. The Economist Associate is also responsible for developing tools and materials to communicate the results of research and to educate the public on the research. This may include videos, factsheets, infographics and presentations.

# **Responsibilities:**

- Develop sanctuary characterizations/socioeconomic profiles of ONMS managed sites;
- Integrate economic, human dimensions non-economic and ecological information for assessing ecosystem services and economic valuations
- Prepare socioeconomic reports using existing data sources and original data collections
- Work with ONMS on social media and provide updates for ONMS website;
- Communicate socioeconomic findings to the Foundation, NOAA, other partners and the general public.

**Reporting:** The Economist Associate reports to the Vice President at the Foundation and works closely with an on-site coordinator within NOAA's ONMS Socioeconomic Program.

### **Qualifications:**

- A minimum of a Bachelor's Degree in natural resource economics or related economic or social science fields.
- Proven experience with database management and statistical analysis using a statistical program like SAS, SPSS, LIMDEP, STATA or other statistical software
- Experience with survey sampling and questionnaire design.



- Competency with using Microsoft Office (Word, Excel and Power Point), with intermediate or advanced skills in Excel and GIS.
- Strong communications skills both in writing and speaking. Experience in presenting research results, publications is preferred.
- Experience in developing web site content and content for social media is preferred
- Demonstrated commitment to high professional ethical standards and a diverse workplace.

#### Why You Will Love Us

- Dedicated and passionate staff committed to marine and Great Lakes conservation, and a fun group who takes its work more seriously than we take ourselves.
- Generous leave policy.
- Health Benefits: medical, dental, and vision
- Foundation paid disability and life Insurance
- Retirement: 403(B) with 3% employer contribution after 1 year of service. No match required, 100% vested.

Compensation and Benefits Salary Range: \$48,000-\$50,000. The Foundation offers a competitive benefits package.

Start Date: April 2021

Apply Here - Applications received before March 17, 2021 will be preferred.

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