

VOSS POSTDOCTORAL RESEARCH ASSOCIATE

The Institute at Brown for Environment and Society (IBES) seeks candidates for distinguished postdoctoral positions in any field of study relevant to environmental research. Voss postdoctoral research associates conduct independent research, and are mentored by one or more IBES faculty. These faculty have expertise in a wide variety of disciplines: Anthropology, Biogeochemistry, Climate Modeling, Ecology, Economics, Environmental History, Epidemiology, Hydrology, and Sociology (for a complete list of eligible faculty mentors see 'Core Faculty' and 'Elected Fellows' at www.brown.edu/academics/institute-environment-society/people). Postdoctoral associates can be mentored by a single IBES faculty member, but can also be co-mentored by two IBES faculty working in the same or different fields of study.

Appointments will have an expected term of two years starting in July 2021 or soon thereafter. Postdoctoral research associates receive a salary of \$62,500, plus benefits and a discretionary fund of \$2,000/year in addition to any research funds that may be directed to the project by mentors. Postdoctoral associates are expected to devote their appointment to research activities, but in special cases they may have the opportunity to also teach undergraduate courses.

QUALIFICATIONS AND CRITERIA

Requirements for the position include a Ph.D. in a field of study relevant to environmental research, ability to take initiative and work independently, an interest in contributing to a dialog across disciplinary boundaries, a commitment to fostering a diverse and inclusive community and the confirmed support of an IBES faculty mentor. Applicants should submit a research proposal based on the guidelines below, including identification of a faculty mentor. Proposals will be judged on scientific merit, an achievable research plan, and the degree to which they contribute to or compliment the research activities of faculty mentors. Letters of support will be requested from proposed mentors, and any individual faculty member can only be the primary mentor for a maximum of two applicants. Applicants should contact their proposed mentor early in the application process and must gain their consent to serve as a faculty mentor prior to the application deadline.

APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

To apply, please submit the following items at <https://apply.interfolio.com/77690> by November 30, 2020:

- Cover letter describing your interest in the position and how this position relates to your career goals (1-2 pages);
- Current CV;
- Required project proposal (1500 words maximum, excluding references). Proposals should briefly address the following points:
 - Title and brief abstract
 - Project background and importance: Why is this work important? Why does it matter? What is known and what is new about this question?
 - How does this project fit with your own previous work and your proposed mentor's?
 - Project plan: What will you actually do? Include a timeline or work plan if appropriate. If additional resources will be needed to complete the work, do you have options for funding them?
 - Project outcomes: What products will come out of this project (e.g. articles, methods, datasets, policy briefs, educational materials)? What types of support will you need to produce and disseminate these?
 - References (not included in 1500 word limit)

- Three letters of reference from advisors or colleagues who know the applicant's work well. Referees should submit letters directly through Interfolio, which will supply a direct link when contact information is entered.

Equal Employment Opportunity Statement

Brown University is committed to fostering a diverse and inclusive academic global community; as an EEO/AA employer, Brown considers applicants for employment without regard to, and does not discriminate on the basis of, gender, race, protected veteran status, disability, or any other legally protected status.