

Sustainable Fisheries & Coastal Resilience  
Extension Assistant Professor  
Department of Environmental Conservation  
University of Massachusetts Amherst

The Department of Environmental Conservation at the University of Massachusetts Amherst (<http://eco.umass.edu/>) seeks talented applicants for a 12-month, non-tenure-track appointment as Extension Assistant Professor in Sustainable Fisheries & Coastal Resilience. This faculty will be based at the UMass Gloucester Marine Station in close proximity to North Shore communities and state, federal and non-governmental collaborators. Earliest appointment date is January 1, 2017.

Candidates should understand the critical link between applied research and extension in fulfilling the mission of a land grant institution. The candidate is expected to develop and conduct outreach and extension programming for community resilience and adaptation-related actions to mitigate impacts of changing fisheries stocks and/or natural hazards in coastal Massachusetts communities. Further, we expect the candidate to help lead development of the UMass Gloucester Marine Research Station towards a vibrant multi-disciplinary research and teaching platform; develop independent and collaborative research programs that help to meet the research needs of local, state, federal and non-governmental organizations; and provide opportunities to engage graduate and undergraduate students in projects with direct application to coastal and marine resource management and planning. Teaching responsibilities will include 1 course each semester in marine science and conservation focused on the candidate's area(s) of expertise. Successful applicants will serve, as do all other faculty, as a mentor to students and be expected to supervise graduate students at the Master's and Ph.D. levels, as well as undergraduates in the Honors College and the Five College Coastal and Marine Sciences Programs.

Candidates must have a Ph.D. degree in coastal environmental management, fisheries or marine sciences, or closely related field. The applicant's experience should demonstrate strengths in one or more fields related to marine fisheries, coastal hazards management, coastal and marine planning or climate adaptation. The position will require working with diverse local community officials and residents, an ability to work across disciplinary lines, and experience attracting external funding. A critical aspect of the position will be the role of liaison between UMass Amherst and local community partners. Thus, the candidate must demonstrate excellence in written and verbal communication skills. Experience and/or evidence of prior interest in outreach and/or extension is required. Previous teaching and research experience at a university level is desirable.

Applicants must submit a cover letter, curriculum vitae, statements of outreach/extension, research, and teaching goals, and the names, addresses and contact information of three references to:

<http://umass.interviewexchange.com/jobofferdetails.jsp?JOBID=76576>

Search questions can be addressed to: Adrian Jordaan, Search Chair, (413) 545-2758 or [ajordaan@eco.umass.edu](mailto:ajordaan@eco.umass.edu). Priority will be given to candidates that submit their application package by October 14, 2016. However, review of applications will continue until the position is filled.

The Department of Environmental Conservation hosts a vibrant, multi-disciplinary, learning community where faculty and students are deeply committed to solving the complex, global challenges of environmental sustainability. In addition to our well-developed teaching and research programs in marine fisheries, marine spatial planning, and climate change ecology, we have very close working relationships with the National Marine Fisheries Service, MA Division of Marine Fisheries, U. S. Geological Survey,

and U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service. Further, this position will interface with the UMass Center for Agriculture, Food & the Environment (CAFE) which is the home to UMass Extension, and provides extension outreach programs throughout the state. CAFÉ is also home to the Massachusetts Agricultural Experiment Station. This capacity of research and outreach provide UMass faculty the opportunity to work with a wide diversity of partners to address critical needs in sustainable fisheries & coastal resilience.

The university is committed to active recruitment of a diverse faculty and student body. The University of Massachusetts Amherst is an Affirmative Action/Equal Opportunity Employer of women, minorities, protected veterans, and individuals with disabilities and encourages applications from these and other protected group members. Because broad diversity is essential to an inclusive climate and critical to the University's goals of achieving excellence in all areas, we will holistically assess the many qualifications of each applicant and favorably consider an individual's record working with students and colleagues with broadly diverse perspectives, experiences, and backgrounds in educational, research or other work activities. We will also favorably consider experience overcoming or helping others overcome barriers to an academic degree and career.