



NOAA National Marine Fisheries Service

Northeast Fisheries Science Center:

Talent for the 21st Century

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

The [Talent for the 21st Century \(Talent 21\) program](#) offers term employment to graduates of NOAA-supported programs: NOAA's Cooperative Science Centers, NOAA's Education Partnership Program (EPP), and the Woods Hole Partnership Education Program (PEP). Graduates of colleges and universities affiliated with NOAA's Cooperative Science Centers may also be hired in the program. Talent 21 employees are hired at ZPII or ZPIII levels, for two-to-four year terms at NOAA's Northeast Fisheries Science Center. At the end of the term, Talent employees do not convert into permanent employees, but they may apply and compete for federal full-time equivalent positions.

ELIGIBILITY

You must be 18-years or older, a U.S. citizen, and a participant in one of the targeted NOAA supported programs: a Cooperative Science Center, the Education Partnership Program (EPP), or Partnership Education Program (PEP), or a graduate of a college or university participating in NOAA's Cooperative Sciences Centers.

POSITION DETAILS

Position Title and number: Research Fisheries Biologist, ZP2 (T21.1)

Branch/Division: Oceans and Climate Branch/Ecosystem and Aquaculture Division

Location: Narragansett, Rhode Island

Supervisor(s): Paula Fratantoni; David Richardson

Application due by: October 24, 2018

Description: This employee will develop a dataset of Longfin Squid (*Doryteuthis pealleii*) paralarval abundance from archived EcoMon and MARMAP samples, and will use that data to: 1) re-evaluate squid life history and stock structure and 2) to test the hypothesis that the disturbance of egg mops by bottom trawling compromises productivity in this species (i.e. the egg mortality hypothesis). [A more detailed position description is available here.](#)

Desired knowledge, skills, and abilities: Candidate needs strong writing skills; attention to detail and the ability to work 3-4 hours per day at a dissecting microscope and to learn the protocols for the identification of squid paralarvae; willingness to participate in sea-going oceanographic surveys lasting ~10-16 days. Familiarity with Matlab and/or R is preferred. Minimum degree requirement is a BS in biology, marine biology, or fisheries, with fisheries research experience.

HOW TO APPLY

Submit the following to NEFSC.APO@noaa.gov as **one pdf file**:

1. Cover letter that includes statement of research interests
2. Resume: with **two** contactable references
3. Attach Department of Defense Form 214 (DD214) for prior military service (**if applicable**)

POINT OF CONTACT

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