

The National Center for Ecological Analysis and Synthesis (NCEAS) is seeking a top candidate for a newly-created **Director's Postdoc**. The successful candidate will pursue research of her/his own interest in any domain of environmental science using analytical or synthesis approaches.

The ideal candidate will have excellent quantitative and modeling skills, an interest and track record in publishing in top science journals, demonstrated commitment to open science principles and practice, interest in engaging with the diverse community at NCEAS, and experience communicating science in policy, public and media outlets. The position is intended to be highly independent, with the successful candidate pursuing her/his own research agenda under the mentorship of the Director of NCEAS while also collaborating with the Director and NCEAS residents on additional projects of interest.

NCEAS works to accelerate scientific discoveries that will enhance our understanding of the world and benefit people and nature, as well as to transform the scientific culture to be more open, efficient, and collaborative. NCEAS is part of UCSB but housed in the heart of downtown Santa Barbara.

NCEAS facilitates synthesis research and collaboration in environmental science, ecology, and environmental data science, conducted as part of research initiatives led by NCEAS and Center Fellows. Each year NCEAS hosts more than 700 visiting scientists and practitioners and over 30 resident scientists, including a growing community of post-doctoral associates, Center Fellows, and Researchers, and has a staff of approximately 25 administrative, scientific computing and informatics staff. The resident scientist community is expected to grow over the coming years.

**Minimum Qualifications:**

- Ph.D. in Ecology, Environmental Science, Geography, or related field.

**Preferred Qualifications:**

- Track record publishing in top academic journals;
- Strong quantitative and/or modeling skills;
- Experience managing, processing and analyzing large datasets;
- Proficiency using Git, R and/or Python
- Excellent verbal and written communication skills;

- Outstanding organizational skills;
- Demonstrated success managing several projects/tasks at the same time;
- Able to work well with a wide range of people across disciplines and backgrounds;
- Demonstrated ability to work effectively both independently and collaboratively.

### **Salary and Benefits:**

This is a 100% time appointment.

Minimum salary of \$50K to \$61K, based on prior postdoc experience.

Postdoctoral benefits package included (<http://clients.garnett-powers.com/pd/uc/>).

### **Required Documents to Apply:**

Applicants must submit (1) a current Curriculum Vitae, (2) cover letter describing your research background and qualifications for the position, (3) a short (<1pg) description of research interests and potential projects, and (4) names and contact information for 3 references.

**Apply by March 1, 2019 for primary consideration.** Position will remain open until filled. Please apply through UC

Recruit: <https://recruit.ap.ucsb.edu/JPF01455>

**Anticipated Start Date:** No later than July 2019. Position is for up to 3 years, renewable annually based on performance.

The department is especially interested in candidates who can contribute to the diversity and excellence of the academic community through research, teaching and service.

The University of California is an Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action Employer and all qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, national origin, disability status, protected veteran status, or any other characteristic protected by law.

## **Requirements**

### **Document requirements**

- Curriculum Vitae - Your most recently updated C.V.

- Cover Letter - Cover letter describing your research background and qualifications for the position
- Statement of Research - a short (<1pg) description of research interests and potential projects

**Reference requirements**

- 3 required (contact information only)