



Great Lakes Summer Fellows Program

2018 Request for Position Proposals

The Cooperative Institute for Great Lakes Research administers an annual Great Lakes Summer Fellows Program sponsored by NOAA's Great Lakes Environmental Research Lab (GLERL). This competitive program helps place promising upper-level undergraduate and graduate students with both university and Federal mentors. Through this program, students work on substantive research issues in the Great Lakes and undergo a career training program that equips them with the knowledge and skills to be the next generation of Great Lakes scientists.

We will be offering eight (8) summer fellowships during 2018, with the potential for additional fellowships funded directly through CIGLR research projects or Regional Consortium Partner support (see #6 below). Principal investigators from CIGLR, NOAA GLERL, and Regional Consortium Partners (University Partners and Private Sector Partners) are invited to submit fellowship position proposals. Fellowship position proposals from Regional Consortium members must include co-mentorship by a NOAA GLERL or CIGLR PI; applicants are encouraged to contact potential GLERL or CIGLR co-mentors to discuss proposed research before applying. All proposals should specify the location of fellowship position and a mentoring plan.

Summer fellowship position proposals should include the following:

- 1. Project title
- 2. Mentor(s) name(s) and affiliation(s)
- 3. A paragraph describing the specific activities of the fellowship and the skill set and/or experience level needed. Please be specific this will be used for the program advertisement.
- 4. Where the position will be housed (e.g., NOAA GLERL, partner university or facility, etc.)
- 5. Mentorship plan that describes plans to ensure active collaboration between the student, NOAA GLERL or CIGLR mentor, and partner co-mentor (when applicable)
- 6. Funding source (i.e., fellowship program funds [8 positions], CIGLR project funds, or Regional Consortium Partner funds). We have 8 competitive positions available through the fellowship program. PIs can add to this pool by contributing additional funding for positions that may have a pre-identified candidate. PI-funded positions without pre-identified candidates will be included in the national search along with the 8 program-funded positions. All fellows, regardless of funding source, will be included in the career training activities of the program.

Proposals will be judged on: 1) consistency with CIGLR's and NOAA GLERL's research themes, 2) scientific merit of the proposed project, 3) feasibility of accomplishing the stated objectives during the fellowship period, 4) significance of the student training opportunity, and 5) potential to foster interaction between NOAA GLERL and CIGLR's University Partners, Private Sector Partners, collaborating NOAA programs, or Supporting Initiatives. See https://ciglr.seas.umich.edu/about/ciglr-organization/ for more information.

Proposals should be submitted via email to Mary Ogdahl (<u>ogdahlm@umich.edu</u>) by 5 pm ET on December 1, 2017.

Proposals will be reviewed by a committee composed of CIGLR leadership (Director, Program Manager) and CIGLR and GLERL PIs not collaborating on submitted proposals. CIGLR will announce the **final position decisions by December 15, 2017** and begin advertising the program to students in January 2018. Fellows will be selected by the end of March 2018.