

Marine and Fisheries Scientist

Preferred location: Halifax, NS
Reports to: Director of Science
Start date: January 31, 2022 or earlier

Summary

Oceana Canada is an independent charity committed to rebuilding Canada's oceans by winning science-based policy victories that increase biodiversity and abundance. We have successfully campaigned to end the shark fin trade, make rebuilding depleted fish populations the law, improve the way fisheries are managed and protect marine habitat. Oceana Canada is part of the largest international advocacy group dedicated solely to ocean conservation. Globally, Oceana has won more than 200 policy victories for marine life and habitats. From stopping bottom trawling in sensitive habitat areas to protecting sea turtles from commercial fishing gear, our victories represent new hope for the world's oceans.

Oceana Canada seeks a Marine and Fisheries Scientist to play a key role in support of its campaigns. The Marine and Fisheries Scientist, reporting to the Director of Science, will be responsible for preparing technical reports and developing the scientific foundation for our work on fisheries and other marine conservation campaigns. The position requires a combination of strong research, critical thinking, and communication skills.

Principal duties and responsibilities

- Provide research on fisheries and marine conservation issues to inform and support the goals of Oceana Canada's campaigns.
- Attend and contribute to externally convened meetings on fisheries science and management.
- Provide constructive critiques of management decisions affecting the sustainability of our fisheries and ocean.
- Write, edit, and prepare reports and policy recommendations with meticulous attention to detail.
- Keep up to date on best fisheries and conservation practices, methodologies and innovations.
- Contribute to our international teams in support of our mission to "Save the Ocean, Feed the World".
- Perform additional duties as needed or assigned.

Requirements

- Graduate level degree (or equivalent) in a relevant Science discipline with practical and relevant experience.
- Strong knowledge of fisheries science and marine conservation issues in Canada.
- Strong statistical knowledge and ability to interpret, build and analyze large datasets.

- Excellent writing, editing, communication and research skills required.
- Must be willing to accept a varied workload and some long or alternative hours to accommodate travel.
- Must have the ability to handle many tasks simultaneously in a dynamic work environment with speed, accuracy, and a positive attitude; show initiative, and exhibit insightful planning and execution of responsibilities.
- Fluency in French will be considered an asset.
- The successful candidate must be available for full-time work in Canada.

Oceana Canada offers a competitive salary and benefits package.

Oceana Canada is an equal opportunity employer. In accordance with Nova Scotia Accessibility Act, support will be provided in the recruitment process and accommodations for disabilities will be provided on request wherever appropriate. All offers of employment are conditional upon the successful completion of reference checks and a criminal background check.

While we thank all candidates for their interest, only those short-listed will be contacted.

TO APPLY: Please apply at the link below by 5:00 p.m. on Friday, December 3, 2021 for the best consideration. Applications will be assessed upon receipt; therefore, we encourage early submission. Please include your salary expectations in the cover letter.

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