Call for Research Projects

UVA’s Environmental Institute is pleased to announce a call for research projects on climate issues for which we will help recruit and fund postdoctoral researchers from all disciplines under our Climate Fellows Program.

The Institute supports interdisciplinary research and training that is both great and good at the intersection of environmental change and human well-being. The Environmental Institute connects faculty, students, and citizens to create solutions for a more equitable, resilient, and sustainable future. Please submit your proposed research projects on topics relating to climate change, resilience, adaptation, or climate research, broadly defined.

Research projects encouraging discovery using all approaches, including geospatial analysis, artificial intelligence, machine learning, agent-based modelling, and/or cross-scale (global to community) modelling, as well as those that facilitate learning about climate issues from social scientific and humanities perspectives are all welcome, irrespective of discipline.

The Institute will support suitable projects with:
- A two-year fully or partially funded postdoctoral research associate.
- The postdoc will receive a salary and full employee benefits.
- Professional development support.
- Strong social support from a cohort of fellow postdoctoral researchers.

Submission Requirements
1. A project description, including problem statement(s) & research questions.
2. Statement of how the project is influenced by and/or will produce diverse climate research perspectives.
3. Research project’s contribution to the UVA Environmental Institute’s mission.
4. Postdoc Researcher’s Competencies.
5. Names of faculty co-mentors/co-PI (no less than 2)

Word Limit: About 3,000 words (See link to submission form, below)

Eligibility
- Applicants must be UVA faculty, from any discipline.
- The proposed project must be interdisciplinary.
- Project must have at least two faculty advisors/mentors from different schools or departments.

Evaluation Criteria
The most competitive proposals will be those that:
- Align with the Environmental Institute’s mission.
- Are likely to contribute to sustained research excellence at UVA.
- Facilitate a diverse intellectual climate research community and inclusive academic environment.
Submission Deadline: Friday, November 17th, 2023
How to submit: Please follow this link to access and complete the submission form.