



The [Ecology and Evolutionary Biology Department](#) at the University of California, Santa Cruz (UCSC) invites applications for the position of Junior or Assistant Specialist in Marine Ecology under the direction of Dr. Kristy Kroeker. Dr. Kroeker's lab focuses on questions in marine ecology and environmental change in the coastal zone.

The successful candidate will be expected to participate in research of kelp forest ecology, estuarine seagrass ecology, and global change biology; organize logistics for local and remote field missions; perform sampling on SCUBA; deploy and maintain oceanographic equipment and sensors; analyze chemical and biological samples using standard operating procedures; and assist in data analysis. We have a preference for candidates with expertise in ocean acidification.

**RANK:** Junior Specialist I – Assistant Specialist I

**SALARY:** Commensurate with qualifications and experience.

**BASIC QUALIFICATIONS:**

- Bachelor's degree in Marine Biology or related field, with a minimum of two years experience in field research in seagrass or kelp forest ecosystems.
- Experience deploying and maintaining oceanographic sensors.
- Experience with the development and management of databases.
- Must have AAUS Scientific Diving Certification.

**PREFERRED QUALIFICATIONS:**

- Master's degree in Marine Biology or related field.
- Experience collecting and analyzing water samples for carbonate chemistry (i.e., familiarity with standard operating procedures, titration, and spectrophotometry).
- Knowledge of central California kelp forest and seagrass ecosystems, including identification of invertebrates, algae, and plants.
- Scientific diving skills and experience in underwater sampling protocols.
- Experience handling small boats.
- Experience running manipulative laboratory experiments.
- Ability to work well independently and as part of a team.

**POSITION AVAILABLE:** Immediately

**TERM OF APPOINTMENT:** The initial appointment is for 6 months, with the possibility of extension. Should the hiring unit propose reappointment, a review to assess performance will be conducted. Reappointment is also contingent upon availability of funding.

**TO APPLY:** Applications are accepted via the UCSC Academic Recruit online system, and must include a letter of application that addresses how you meet the basic qualifications, curriculum vitae (with contact information for three professional references). Applicants are invited to submit samples of published materials (a maximum of two will be accepted). Documents/materials must be submitted as PDF files.

Apply at <https://recruit.ucsc.edu/apply/JPF00426>

Refer to Position #**JPF00426-17T** in all correspondence.

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**CLOSING DATE:** Review of applications will begin on March 3, 2017. To ensure full consideration, applications should be complete by this date. The position will remain open until filled, but not later than 6/30/2018.

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