

~ Call for Applications ~ OOI Facility Board Application Deadline: August 6, 2023

The Ocean Observatories Initiative Facility Board (OOIFB) provides independent input and guidance regarding the management and operation of the National Science Foundation-funded Ocean Observatories Initiative (OOI). The OOIFB works to expand scientific and public awareness of OOI, and ensure that the oceanographic community is kept informed of developments of OOI.

The OOIFB is soliciting applications to fill one open membership position. The appointment will fill the remainder of an unexpired term and run through September 2024. The selected individual will be eligible to serve two additional 3-year terms. The OOIFB holds at least one in-person meeting per year and one web conference each month.

Scientists with experience using scientific observing systems are encouraged to apply. In an effort to maintain the expertise and disciplinary depth on the Board, we are particularly interested in applicants with research experience using data from the OOI Global Arrays and/or from institutions along the U.S. west coast. However, all interested applicants will be considered.

The responsibilities of the OOIFB may include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Serving as the prime scientific and technical conduit between the oceanographic community and NSF regarding OOI.
- Examining the accomplishments and work flow of the OOI Operator, in order to provide feedback regarding the OOI Annual Work Plans (AWPs)
- Via workshops, community meetings, and/or other mechanisms, stimulate and engage the user community in order to keep the accomplishments of the OOI at the cutting edge of scientific inquiry and technological innovation.
- Developing and implementing strategies to expand scientific and public awareness of the unique scientific and technological opportunities of the OOI.
- Helping to identify collaborative relationships with potential governmental, industrial, educational, and international partners in the OOI, where appropriate.
- Ensure fair and consistent access to the OOI by all sectors of the user community.

Applications should be submitted to Annette DeSilva, at the OOIFB Administrative Support Office (desilva@ooifb.org), and must include a letter of interest and a CV. The statement of interest should highlight the applicant's experience using observatory data, as well as how the applicant has supported the introduction and/or inclusion of ocean sciences to underrepresented communities and have fostered an environment of respect in their research endeavors. Applicants who have not yet had the opportunity for such experience should note how their work will further OOIFB's commitment to diversity.

Please note, applications cannot be accepted from individuals affiliated with the OOI Program Facility institutions (Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution, Oregon State University, and the University of Washington), individuals under contract with the OOI Program, and individuals from institutions already represented on the OOIFB (the current list of OOIFB members is available <u>HERE</u>).

Applications are due by **August 6, 2023**. Applications will be reviewed by the OOIFB, who will give due consideration to the qualifications of applicants, as well as the maintenance of gender, career level, discipline, and regional balance on the OOIFB. For more information about OOIFB and its activities, please visit the website: <u>http://ooifb.org</u> or contact Kendra Daly, OOIFB Chair (<u>kdaly@usf.edu</u>).