CIMMS Peter Lamb Postdoctoral Fellowship

The Cooperative Institute for Mesoscale Meteorological Studies (CIMMS) at the University of Oklahoma has established the Peter Lamb Postdoctoral Fellowship that we envision will be offered annually. CIMMS is a research organization that promotes collaborative research between National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) and University of Oklahoma (OU) scientists on problems of mutual interest. This collaborative basic and applied research includes the study of mesoscale and storm-scale meteorological phenomena to help produce better forecasts and warnings that save lives and property and the investigation of the societal impacts of such phenomena. Research scientists within CIMMS use observations, analysis and models to improve the understanding and prediction of high-impact weather elements and systems ranging in size from cloud nuclei to multi-state areas.

Applications must include a 3-4 page novel proposal developed by the applicant that addresses at least one of the CIMMS research themes: 1) weather radar research and development; 2) storm-scale and mesoscale modeling research and development; 3) forecast improvements research and development; 4) impacts of climate change related to extreme weather events; and 5) societal and socioeconomic impacts of high-impact weather systems. The CIMMS website http://cimms.ou.edu/index.php/research has more information on projects underway within these research themes as well as contact information for CIMMS scientists working on these themes. It is highly encouraged that those applying contact a CIMMS scientist before writing their research proposal to receive guidance when drafting a proposal and to ensure the mentorship of an eligible CIMMS research scientist.

Terms of appointment are for one (1) year, renewable for a second year subject to satisfactory performance. An annual salary of $60,000 and a research budget of up to $5,000 per year is included in the award, along with a modest relocation stipend. Successful applicants must have obtained a Ph.D. within the last five years; proof of a Ph.D. is required before assuming the post-doctoral position, but those in the final stages of Ph.D. dissertation completion are encouraged to apply provided a finish date before July 31 in the year of the fellowship award is anticipated.

A formal call for submission to the fellowship application is typically released in early December. When the call for applicants is released, applicants will be asked to submit a brief proposal (no more than 4 pages, double-spaced, excluding the list of references and figures) describing the work to be pursued during a 2-year tenure at CIMMS. In the past, applications were due near the end of January and applications notified about the status of their application in March.

Further information about the fellowship program is available from

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