Postdoctoral Scholar in Fault Modeling

The Department of Earth and Planetary Sciences at the University of California, Riverside invites applicants for a full-time, Postdoctoral Scholar in Fault Modeling to conduct research in the group of Dr. Gareth Funning. This position will start on September 1, 2023. The final candidate will work on a NASA-funded project to model locked zones – i.e. potential sources of future earthquakes – on subduction zones and creeping faults worldwide, using boundary element modeling of geodetic data. This position is full-time (100% FTE), 12-months/year, with an initial term appointment of two years (24 months).

Salary for this position will be in the range $60,000 to $71,952.

Required qualifications for this position that must be met by the date of hire: a Ph.D. or equivalent in geophysics or a related field.

Preferred qualifications for this position: expertise in tectonic geodesy, seismology and/or crustal deformation modeling; a strong background in statistics and/or computational methods; programming experience in at least one general purpose language; demonstrated written and verbal communication skills; and a demonstrated ability to work both independently and collaboratively.

Additional qualifications for this position include expertise in: boundary element and/or finite element modeling; meshing of complex surfaces; processing, analysis and interpretation of InSAR, GNSS and/or seafloor geodetic data; fault mechanics; and data visualization.

To apply: submit a cover letter indicating suitability for the position, CV and contact details for a minimum of three referees by email to Dr. Gareth Funning (gareth@ucr.edu). Review of applications will commence on July 1, 2023, and proceed until the position is filled. For full consideration, applicants should submit their complete applications prior to the above date.

For more information about this position, please contact Dr. Gareth Funning, Chair of the Search committee, Department of Earth and Planetary Science, at gareth@ucr.edu. For questions on application procedures and requirements, please contact Ms. Ashley Lawson, Academic Personnel, at ashley.lawson@ucr.edu.

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