



Sea Grant

DEAN JOHN A. KNAUSS

Marine Policy Fellowship Program

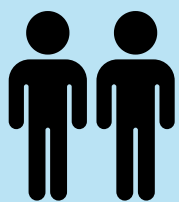


The Sea Grant Knauss Fellowship offers graduate students the opportunity to work on current issues in weather, ocean, coastal and Great Lakes policy, research, and management through a one-year paid fellowship in the Washington, D.C. area.

Administered by the National Sea Grant College Program, the Knauss Fellowship is one of the

nation's premier marine policy fellowship programs. Students receive a unique educational and professional experience at the intersection of science, policy and public service. Fellows are matched with host offices in the legislative and executive branches for an immersive year of hands-on policy experience.

SINCE 1979



1,762

FELLOWS SUPPORTED



47

YEARS OF PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT AND PUBLIC SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES



69

HOST OFFICES IN THE WASHINGTON, D.C. AREA*

*Average number of legislative and executive host offices per year between 2022 and 2025.



The Knauss fellowship provided me with the networks to leverage the career I have now at NOAA. I have no doubt that the foundations I laid during my fellowship directly helped me become the Federal employee I am today.

ERICA TOWLE

2016 Legislative Fellow on the Senate Commerce, Science, and Transportation Committee

Fellowship Funding

The Knauss Fellowship is administered by a cooperative agreement between the National Sea Grant College Program and state Sea Grant programs. Funding is subject to university regulations, and applicants should be informed about salary, benefits, and program provisions.

Fellow Salary	\$74,700	Fellow salary/stipend and may cover employee expenses/fringe (e.g., taxes, healthcare, social security)
Fellow Professional Development	\$5,000	Discretionary budget (e.g., moving, professional development, within-year travel)

Fellowship Eligibility

Eligible applicants must be U.S. citizens (born or naturalized), U.S. Lawful Permanent Residents (Green Card holders), or U.S. dual nationals and enrolled towards a degree in a graduate program at any point between the onset of the 2025 Fall Term (quarter, trimester, semester, etc.) and June 3, 2026. The graduate degree will be awarded through an accredited institution of higher education in the United States or U.S. Territories, and they should have an interest in weather, ocean, coastal, and Great Lakes resources and in the national policy decisions affecting them.

Apply for the Fellowship

Students should apply through the Sea Grant program at the university in which they are currently enrolled. If the student is enrolled at a university not represented by a Sea Grant program, they should contact the National Sea Grant Office (oar.sg.fellows@noaa.gov) to be assigned to a program.