

The John A. Knauss Marine Policy Fellowship

The federal Knauss Marine Policy Fellowship Program was established in 1979 to provide a unique educational experience to students who have an interest in marine/ocean/Great Lakes resources and in the national policy decisions affecting those resources.

The program, which is sponsored by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration's (NOAA) National Sea Grant College Program, matches highly qualified graduate students with hosts in the legislative branch, the executive branch, or appropriate associations/institutions located in the Washington, D.C. area for a one-year paid fellowship. The program is named after former NOAA administrator John A. Knauss.

Executive Summary OF Announcement of Federal Funding Opportunity

Federal Agency Name(s): Oceanic and Atmospheric Research (OAR), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, Department of Commerce

Funding Opportunity Title: 2010 Dean John A. Knauss Marine Policy Fellowship (Knauss Fellowship Program)

Announcement Type: Initial Announcement

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Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA) Number(s): 11.417, Sea Grant Support

Dates: The deadline for application to Lake Champlain Sea Grant is **5 pm, February 20, 2009**. This is an earlier deadline than in previous years. Applications received after the deadline will not be reviewed.

Selection: Using selection criteria established by the National Office, we will review and select candidates to forward to NOAA Sea Grant for the national competition. To preserve confidentiality, letters of recommendations should be posted directly by the letter writers to Lake Champlain Sea Grant.

Selected applications will be sent to the NOAA Sea Grant either through Grants.gov or hardcopy no later than 5 pm on April 3, 2009.

Funding Opportunity Description: This notice announces that applications may be submitted for the Dean John A. Knauss Marine Policy Fellowship (Knauss Fellowship). The Knauss Fellowship is a program initiated by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) National Sea Grant Office (NSGO), in fulfilling its broad educational responsibilities and legislative mandate of the Sea Grant Act, to provide educational experience in the policies and processes of the Legislative and Executive Branches of the Federal Government to graduate students in marine and aquatic-related fields. The Knauss Fellowship meets NOAA's Mission

goal of Protect, Restore and Manage the Use Coastal and Ocean Resources through Ecosystem-Based Management.

For more detailed information about host offerings, applications, selection and placement process in Washington DC, please visit the **NSGO Knauss Website**:

<http://www.seagrant.noaa.gov/knauss/knauss.html>

Potential applicants should pay careful attention the funding available to fellows in the *Stipend and Expenses* portion of the announcement. Lake Champlain Sea Grant does not have the financial resources to provide any additional financial support to Fellows.

IMPORTANT: Applications must be submitted by **5 p.m., February 20, 2009, to the Lake Champlain Sea Grant Program.**

Time Table

1. February 20, 2009 (**updated deadline**) - Application materials from each student are due to Lake Champlain Sea Grant (each program sets its own date around this general time).
2. January-February, 2009 - Interviews by Sea Grant staff to select up finalists.
3. April 3, 2009 - Application materials from Sea Grant programs are due at the National Sea Grant Office by 5:00 pm.
4. May 23, 2009 - Sea Grant Programs notified of selection results.
5. December 2009 - Placement Week (exact dates TBD); selected applicants are required to travel to Washington, D.C., for interviews with potential hosts.
6. February 1, 2010 - Start of the fellowship.

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