## How to apply to the Knauss Marine Policy Fellowship

## Before the application process begins:

- 1. Visit our website to learn more about the Knuass fellowship program. seagrant.noaa.gov/Knauss
- 2. Start thinking about your application package. You won't be able to apply until the application process opens (usually mid-November) however you can start drafting your personal statement and think about who you might ask for recommendation letters.
- 3. Register for the Sea Grant e-newsletter and/or follow Sea Grant on social media to receive updates about fellowship opportunities.

seagrant.noaa.gov/News/social

Twitter: @SeaGrant Instagram: @SeaGrant\_NOAA Facebook: @NOAA.SeaGrant

4. Prior to or during open "Federal Funding Opportunities" for fellowships, connect with your local Sea Grant program. Call or email them to let them know you are interested in applying. They will have advice for navigating the process. A list of Sea Grant programs and contact information can be found on the Sea Grant website.

seagrant.noaa.gov

## Once you see that a funding/fellowship opportunity is open:

- 1. Find the announcement on www.grants.gov. Sea Grant includes links on its website.
- 2. Once on the grants.gov Grants Opportunity page, click the blue "Related Documents" tab and download the "Full Announcement" pdf. This is the Federal Funding Opportunity (FFO). It contains all project details and instructions for applying.
- 3. Read and follow all instructions outlined in the FFO.
- 4. Contact your state Sea Grant program and inform them you want to apply for the Knauss Fellowship. They will have additional information for you and advice about navigating the process. Applications must be submitted through a state Sea Grant program, not directly to grants.gov! See the "Program Locations" dropdown on http://seagrant.noaa.gov/ for a list of state programs and contact information.

Note: if you attend school in a state which does not have a Sea Grant program, contact the National Sea Grant Office at oar.sg.fellows@noaa.gov. The National Office will direct you to a program through which you can apply.

You may also contact the National Sea Grant Office via email, OAR.SG.Fellows@noaa.gov, or phone, (301) 734-1085.