



Announcing the 2007 Dean John A. Knauss Marine Policy Fellowship

**Rhode Island Sea Grant College Program
The University of Rhode Island**

We invite qualified individuals to submit applications to the Rhode Island Sea Grant College Program for the Dean John A. Knauss Marine Policy Fellowship. Approximately thirty individuals are selected nationally for this prestigious Fellowship to spend a year in Washington, DC, working in Congress or the Executive Branch on critical marine policy and resource management issues. The Knauss Fellowship provides a stipend and living expense allowance totaling \$41,500 annually. The one year Fellowship begins February 1, 2007.

Each year, Rhode Island Sea Grant nominates up to five students to the National Sea Grant College Program for Knauss Fellowships. Nominees must be studying for a master's, doctoral, or professional degree in a marine-related field.

Fellowship applications are due at RI Sea Grant Tuesday February 21, 2006.

Selected applicants will be interviewed by the Rhode Island Sea Grant Director prior to **March 24, 2006**, with all applicant materials due to the National Sea Grant office by April 6, 2006. Selection criteria for the fellowship include: *academic excellence, communication skills, diversity and appropriateness of academic background, additional qualifying experience, support of the student's major professor and the Sea Grant director, evidence of the ability to work well with others, and the balance among applicants by discipline and geographic representation.*

For the Fellowship Class of 2007, the selection process and subsequent notification of finalists by the National Sea Grant College Program will be completed by **May 18, 2006**. Finalists will be required to participate in an orientation program in Washington, DC, to be held during early November (Sun-Thurs) 2006. Sea Grant is a matching funds program, and the Fellow's University or College is responsible for providing \$20,000 in non-federal funds to match Sea Grant funds.

If you are interested in applying or have additional questions, please contact Mr. Alan Desbonnet at RI Sea Grant, Rm 129 Coastal Institute Building, URI Bay Campus. phone: 401-874-6813, email: aland@gso.uri.edu. Further information can be found at:

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