Introductions

Stephanie Ichien
Research and Scholars Program Coordinator
Stephanie.ichien@oregonstate.edu

Sarah Kolesar
Research and Scholars Program Leader
Sarah.Kolesar@oregonstate.edu
What We’ll Cover

- About Oregon Sea Grant
- Overview:
  - Natural Resource Policy Fellowship
  - Robert E. Malouf Scholarship
- How to apply using eSeaGrant
- Other available fellowships
- Q & A

Megan Wilson (2019 Malouf Scholar) and Will Fennie (2015 Malouf Scholar)
Who is Oregon Sea Grant?

Mission – Oregon Sea Grant is a catalyst that promotes discovery, understanding and resilience for Oregon coastal communities and ecosystems

- Researchers and students investigating coastal and marine issues affecting Oregon’s waters
- Extension agents engaging with local communities, scientists, and stakeholders
- Educators working with K-gray audiences on understanding marine and coastal topics and challenges
- Communicators producing products that help address program priorities
- Operations staff focused on budgeting, HR, compliance, reporting, policies
- Partners state/local agencies, NGOs, private industry, academic
OREGON SEA GRANT: Scholars Program

Supporting a Healthy Future for Our Oceans, Oregon Sea Grant’s Scholars Program supports graduate and undergraduate opportunities in coastal science, management, and policy.

Mission
The Oregon Sea Grant Scholars Program will increase the number and diversity* of higher-education graduates who are work ready, trained in, and able to apply marine science, policy, management, and outreach skills to the most pressing coastal and ocean issues facing Oregon and the nation.

*Diversity refers to persons from various cultural, ethnic, and socioeconomic backgrounds who contribute a diverse perspective stemming from various lived experiences, skills, and interests.
Natural Resource Policy Fellowship

• **What is it?** A full-time, one-year fellowship that gives highly qualified graduate students first-hand experience in natural resource policy at the state level. The student contributes to policies that will benefit natural resource managers and stakeholders in Oregon and the PNW.

• **Who is eligible?** Graduate students from any US institution who have completed their degree within the past year prior to the time of the fellowship application deadline (after July 2020) OR are a current student within one year of completing their graduate degree. Preference given to those who will have completed their degree by the fellowship start and students from an Oregon institution.

• **Financial details:** Stipend = up to $42,000 ($3,500/month); Covers fellowship-related travel, health insurance, and other expenses.

• **What is the timeline?**
  - Declaration of Interest: due to eseagrant@oregonstate.edu by July 2, 2021
  - Applications due: **July 9, 2021 by 5:00 pm PST via eSeaGrant**
  - Oregon Sea Grant interviews: Late July-Early August
  - Decisions announced: Mid August
  - Fellowship begins: August-September 2021 (one year)
2021-2022 Oregon Sea Grant Natural Resource Policy Fellowship
Tentative Host Positions *

* The positions listed below are still being finalized. The final list of hosts and position descriptions will be available on the OSG NRPF website by the end of the day on Monday, June 14.

1. **Pink Shrimp Fishery Management Policy Fellow**, Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife (ODFW)/Marine Resources Program (MRP)
2. **Oregon Marine Resources Dashboard Reporting Analyst**, ODFW/MRP: Fish Division
3. **Market Squid Fishery Fellow**, ODFW/MRP: Fish Division
4. **Citizen Science and Ocean Change Fellow**, ODFW/MRP
5. **Conservation and Fisheries Management Plan for Abalone**, ODFW/MRP
6. **Ocean Acidification and Hypoxia (OAH) Marine Assessment Policy Fellow**, Oregon Department of Environmental Quality (ODEQ) – Water Quality Division
7. **Restorative Seaweed Aquaculture Fellow**, The Nature Conservancy (Oregon Chapter and TNC’s Global Aquaculture Team)
8. **Blue Carbon Fellow**, The Nature Conservancy (Oregon Chapter)
9. **Rocky Habitat Policy Fellow**, Oregon Department of Land Conservation and Development (DLCD)/ Oregon Coastal Management Program (OCMP)
10. **Tribal Federal Consistency Policy and Processes Fellow**, DLCD/OCMP
11. **Abandoned and Derelict Vessel (ADV) Program Specialist**, Oregon State Marine Board, Environment and Policy Section
Natural Resource Policy Fellowship

Where can I find more information?

Natural Resource Policy Fellowship page:
https://seagrant.oregonstate.edu/fellowships/natural-resource-policy-fellowship

2020 NRPF – Hailey Bond
Placed with the Oregon Coastal Management Program within the Department of Land Conservation and Development to help create an erosion control guidebook for the Oregon coast.

2019 NRPF – Haley Epperly
Working on the Human Dimensions Project with the Marine Reserves Program within the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife.
Robert E. Malouf Marine Studies Scholarship

- **What is it?** One year scholarships that support masters/professional degree and doctoral students who combine societally relevant research with education or public engagement.

- **Who is eligible?** Graduate students enrolled in an Oregon College or University in any discipline. Masters/professional degree students must be in the first year or beginning the second year of their degree program by Sept 2021. Ph.D. students can be in the first, second, or beginning the third year of their degree program by Sept 2021.

- Note: Oregon Sea Grant plans to award two Malouf Scholarships in 2021: one to a Master’s or professional student and one to a Ph.D. student.

- **Financial details:** $10,800 per scholar distributed across 12 months ($900/month).

- **What is the timeline?**
  - Declaration of Interest: due to eseagrant@oregonstate.edu by July 16, 2021
  - Applications due: July 23, 2021 by 5:00 pm PST via eSeaGrant
  - Interviews: Early to Mid-August
  - Award Announcements: by Early September
  - Scholarship begins: October 2021 (one year)
Robert E. Malouf Marine Studies Scholarship

Where can I find more information?

Malouf webpage:
• https://seagrant.oregonstate.edu/fellowships/malouf-marine-studies-scholarship

Keiko Nomura (2019)
Masters student in Marine Resource Management

Brittany King (2019)
PhD student in the Department of Fisheries and Wildlife
How to Apply

Read the Request for Applications (RFA) & follow the guidelines.

- Natural Resource Policy Fellowship: https://beav.es/3st
  - DUE July 9, 2021
- Malouf Marine Studies Scholarship: https://beav.es/3eZ
  - DUE July 23, 2021
How to Apply: eSeaGrant

Register for eSeaGrant – email a declaration of interest to eseagrant@oregonstate.edu at least one week prior to application deadline (even if you already have an eSeaGrant account).

Log in at: eseagrant.oregonstate.edu

1. Select the fellowship that you are applying to and start your application
2. Start early and save often (save a copy of all materials to your computer to avoid losing any content if there are any technical difficulties with the site)
3. Request all letters of recommendation in eSeaGrant.
   – Your letter writers will get a personalized link from eSeaGrant to upload a PDF of their letter.
   – They will need to hit SAVE & SUBMIT to complete the process.
   – Communicate with them early and often—you’ll be able to track the status of each letter.
4. Submit all materials by the application deadline (you can submit early and revise materials until the deadline)
5. Contact us with any questions!
How the Application is Reviewed

Reviewers evaluate applications based on a set of weighted criteria based on the fellowship priorities and application requirements. These are often listed in the NOFO or RFA.

Use the entire application (CV, letters of recommendation, etc.) to illustrate how you align with the fellowship. Draw on your academic and professional accomplishments as well as life experience.

The Bottom Line:
Reviewers want to know what you would get out of this fellowship that you wouldn’t get somewhere else.

Reviewers want to know how you would uniquely benefit their host office or the fellowship program.

What you get and what you give.
Other Available Fellowships

Coming in Winter

John D. Knauss Marine Policy Fellowship
Matches graduate student with hosts in the executive and legislative branches of the government in Washington DC for one year

NOAA Coastal Management Fellowship
Two-year opportunity that matches postgraduate students with state coastal zone programs throughout the US to work on projects proposed by the state

Sea Grant/NMFS Population Dynamics & Marine Economics Fellowships
Provides support to current graduate students to conduct research in marine resource economics (3 years) or population and ecosystem dynamics (3 years)

To be alerted to Oregon Sea Grant's fellowship opportunities, subscribe to our fellowships notification e-mail list https://lists.oregonstate.edu/mailman/listinfo/sg-fellowshipannouncement
More information

Oregon Sea Grant’s fellowship page: https://seagrant.oregonstate.edu/fellowships/
Oregon Sea Grant Scholars Blog: http://blogs.oregonstate.edu/seagrantscholars/
More about Oregon Sea Grant’s Fellows: https://beav.es/3eY
Oregon Sea Grant Scholars Application Resources: https://beav.es/3ef
Oregon Sea Grant Justice, Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion: https://seagrant.oregonstate.edu/jedi

- Sea Grant Scholars “Where are they now?” Alumni Map
Questions?

Sarah Kolesar
Research and Scholars Program Leader
Sarah.Kolesar@oregonstate.edu

Stephanie Ichien
Research and Scholars Program Coordinator
Stephanie.Ichien@oregonstate.edu