

Sea Grant Aquaculture Experts Gather to Synthesize Over 50 Years of Aquaculture Work



In early November 2019, about 20 Sea Grant Aquaculture experts gathered in Mobile, Alabama to pour through piles of data and wrack their memories in an effort to stitch together the contributions Sea Grant research, extension and education work has made in advancing U.S. aquaculture over the last 50 years. The exercise also allowed the group to provide expert opinion and recommendations surrounding gaps in knowledge and suggestions for future investments. Contact: LaDon Swann, MS-AL Sea Grant

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Knauss Fellow Sponsored by Wisconsin Sea Grant Blogs About Experience

"Say yes, know what you want, and other lessons learned as a Wisconsin Sea Grant Fellow.," is the title of a blog recently written by Knauss fellow Bridget Faust. Faust was sponsored by Wisconsin Sea Grant. Now that her fellowship is over, she is working with NOAA's Office for Coastal Management.

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Washington Sea Grant Kicks off West Coast Shellfish Aquaculture Study

Washington Sea Grant recently hosted the first of four workshops for the study, which is aimed at pulling together and advancing research to better understand the tidal ecosystems of Willapa Bay and Grays Harbor, with particular attention to interactions among shellfish aquaculture, eelgrass and burrowing ghost shrimp.

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Minnesota Sea Grant Director Honored as AAAS Fellow for 2019

The University of Minnesota Sea Grant program is proud to announce that Director John A. Downing has been elected a 2019 Fellow of the American Association for the Advancement of Science. AAAS is the world's largest multidisciplinary scientific society and the publisher of the journal Science.

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Diversity Spotlight: Knauss Fellows Attend SACNAS Conference

Several current Knauss fellows joined other NOAA representatives and a few hundred of their colleagues for the National Diversity in STEM conference earlier this month. The event was hosted by the Society for the Advancement of Chicanos and Native Americans in Science (SACNAS) and took place in Honolulu, Hawaii. Knauss fellows are seen here preparing a field for taro planting, a very muddy process.

[Learn more about SACNAS](#)



2020 Knauss Legislative Fellows Complete Placement Week

The 14 legislative fellows in the 2020 class of Knauss fellows completed the placement process in November. Legislative fellows are placed in a variety of committee and member offices.

[2020 Legislative Placements](#)

[Apply to be a 2021 Knauss Fellow](#)

Research Spotlight: High sensitivity of a keystone forage fish to elevated CO₂ and temperature

A research team funded by the Northeast Sea Grant programs as part of a regional research program focused on studying the impacts of ocean acidification recently published the results of their work in Conservation Physiology. (Authors: CS Murray, D Wiley, H Baumann)

[Access the study](#)

Funding and Career Opportunities

[Sea Grant Career Opportunities:](#) Sea Grant has several job openings across the country, including several positions in the National Sea Grant Office (Fellowships management and Gulf of Mexico regional lead) and a Communications Coordinator at Michigan Sea Grant.

[Apply for the Margaret A. Davidson Graduate Fellowship](#) This new fellowship program will place graduate students at the national estuarine research reserves. One two-year fellowship opportunity will be

available at each of the 29 coastal sites. Applications are due December 20, 2019.

[Ocean Acidification Funding Opportunity](#) NOAA's Ocean Acidification Program is soliciting proposals for collaborative projects of up to three years in duration that synthesize ocean acidification information at a regional scale (e.g. Large Marine Ecosystem, large estuary or collection of small estuaries, and state or collection of states in US waters) to determine where societal vulnerabilities to ocean acidification exist or are emerging, in order to provide actionable information for marine resource decision makers and/or bolster the resilience of the nation's Blue Economy. This funding opportunity will not support the collection of new chemical or ecological observations or species response data. Social science data collection is permitted. Letters of Intent are due January 24, 2020 at 11:59 pm ET.

[NOAA Coastal and Marine Habitat Restoration Grants](#) Four million dollars in Community-based Restoration Program funding available for coastal and marine habitat restoration in 2020. The Community-based Restoration Program supports restoration projects that use a habitat-based approach to rebuild productive and sustainable fisheries, contribute to the recovery and conservation of protected resources, promote healthy ecosystems, and yield community and economic benefits. Informational webinar December 5, 2019; Applications due January 8, 2020.

Connections and Partner Updates

[Join the Sea Grant Restoration Email List](#): If you are interested in exchanging updates and ideas with Sea Grant colleagues about all things restoration, email Kelly Samek to be added to our restoration email distribution list. kelly.samek@noaa.gov

[CERF Webinar to Feature Sea Grant's Maddie Kennedy](#): On January 14, 2020, Maddie Kennedy of the National Sea Grant Office will present on "What I Wish I Knew When I Was Applying to Fellowships!" as part of the Coastal and Estuarine Research Federation's (CERF) webinar series.

Seeking Nominations for the National Sea Grant Advisory Board

The National Sea Grant Office is currently accepting nominations to serve on the National Sea Grant Advisory Board, a federal advisory committee. Application review begins January 31, 2020.

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