

Instructions: 2023 Knauss Fellowship Narrative

1. CURRICULUM VITAE (2 pages max for CV).

The student should not include personal contact information or web links to external resources (e.g., LinkedIn, articles, blogs, etc.). Demonstrate specific and quantifiable achievements that are relevant to the Knauss Program

- Share a breadth of experiences - If necessary, take the space to provide additional details for context (i.e., Don't just list an award, tell the reader what the award was for)
- Show employment, volunteer, or extracurricular activities in academic, applied, research, administration, outreach, or policy positions
- Describe experiences that show prior leadership roles relevant to career stage (e.g., student government, faculty committees, advisory committees, professional societies, community initiatives, etc.).

2. PERSONAL EDUCATION AND CAREER DEVELOPMENT RESPONSE (1,500 words max)

The student should emphasize their abilities and expectations of the fellowship experience in terms of their career development. Each section and subsequent subsection should be answered separately. **The entire personal education and career development section should not exceed 1,500 words total**; Suggested word counts will be included with each subsection below. Section headers will count as part of the overall word count. The student should not include personal contact information or web links to external resources (e.g., LinkedIn, articles, blogs, etc.).

Section One: Icebreaker (25 words total)

The suggested word count is 25 words for this section.

- The student should use one sentence to describe themselves. **(20 words suggested for this subsection)**
- The student should list five adjectives that someone with a close personal connection (coworker, supervisor, etc.) would use to describe them. **(5 words MAX--this is the only question with a strict word count)**

Section Two: Career Path and Objectives (700 words total)

This section can be completed as one continuous statement or as separate responses.

The suggested word count is 700 words for this section.

- The student should discuss any experience(s) (researcher or otherwise) that support or relate to the mission of the National Sea Grant College Program or the state Sea Grant program (the student does not have to have had a direct connection to Sea Grant). The student should emphasize (if relevant) any experience with extending and distilling science for non-scientific audiences. **(250 words suggested for this subsection)**

- The student should discuss their interest in the Knauss Fellowship with a specific focus on how the Knauss Fellowship supports the student's career pathway. The student should focus on how the Knauss Program would further support their development as a professional. **(250 words suggested for this subsection)**
- The student should discuss the transferable skills (skills that can be applied across a variety of disciplines) that they would bring to the Knauss Fellowship. In this response, students should highlight experiences from their personal, professional and academic background. **(200 words suggested for this subsection)**

Section Three: Career Path Experience. (700 words total)

The suggested word count is 700 words for this section.

- Sea Grant values the principles of equity, diversity, inclusion, justice and accessibility. The student should discuss (1) how they have collaborated or engaged with diverse community members and/or interested partners and/or (2) how they would be an ambassador for these principles throughout the Knauss program. **(300 words suggested for this subsection)**
- The student should discuss a situation in which they overcame a challenge (e.g. within a community or institution, personally, professionally, etc.) specifically as it relates to how they took a leadership role. The student should also consider including a reflection on what they learned from this experience. **(400 words suggested for this subsection)**

**3. Relevant Coursework and Future Year Plans
(1 page max single spaced)**

The student should discuss any relevant coursework and their future year activities. The student may discuss any completed or in progress classes that they deem relevant to their success in the Knauss Fellowship Program. The student should include a listing of classes and/or plans for spring 2022, summer 2022, and fall 2022.

4. Transcripts

Clear digital or scanned copies of all undergraduate and graduate student transcripts (unofficial are acceptable).