NOAA is recruiting candidates for the 2022 Coastal Management and Digital Coast Fellowship Program. This program's mission is to provide on-the-job education and training opportunities in coastal resource management and policy for postgraduate students and to provide project assistance to state coastal zone management agencies and other key NOAA partners.

The twelve fellowship positions start in August 2022 and are available with the California Coastal Commission, California Coastal Conservancy, and the coastal programs in Delaware, Hawaii, Maryland, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New York, and Oregon, and three hosted by Digital Coast Partners: the Coastal States Organization (in partnership with Association of State Floodplain Managers, the National States Geographic Information Council, and The Nature Conservancy). Eligibility requirements, descriptions of the projects, and guidance on how to apply can be found at coast.noaa.gov/fellowship and on the attached information.

For the 2022 fellowship, applicants must be U.S. citizens who will complete a master's or other advanced degree at an accredited U.S. university between August 1, 2020, and July 31, 2022. A broad range of degrees are applicable to the fellowship because the projects are varied among the host organizations. This two-year opportunity offers a competitive salary, medical benefits, and travel and relocation expense reimbursement.

A letter of endorsement from the sponsoring Sea Grant program director (LaDon Swann in MS or AL) is needed in order to complete your application. An interview with Dr. Swann will be scheduled after your application materials are received. Students from states other than Mississippi or Alabama should contact their local Sea Grant program for alternate instructions.

Potential candidates are required to contact Loretta Leist for more detailed application instructions such as file formats needed. Application packages must be submitted by Friday, January 21, 2022.

Please contact Loretta Leist (loretta.leist@usm.edu) or LaDon Swann (ladon.swann@usm.edu) with questions.