## VANCANCY: MASTER'S STUDENT IN ENVIRONMENTAL SOCIAL SCIENCE The University of Texas Rio Grande Valley

Dr. Owen Temby is searching for master's students to fund as part of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) Center for Coastal and Marine Ecosystems (CCME). The successful applicant(s) with work with Dr. Temby on social science research on coastal wildlife and fishery governance at The University of Texas Rio Grande Valley (UTRGV), and will be integrated into an active research agenda involving a network of scholars at other institutions conducting related research.

Each position is fully funded at a rate of \$16,500 per year plus tuition (\$6,520/yr.) for two years starting Spring 2017.

The selected student(s) will be expected to enroll in one of UTRGV's master's programs. Available alternatives include:

- 1. M.A. in Disaster Studies
- 2. Master of Public Affairs (MPA)
- 3. M.S. in Ocean, Coastal, and Earth Sciences

More information on these graduate programs is available on the website of UTRGV's graduate college: <a href="http://www.utrgv.edu/graduate/for-future-students/graduate-programs/index.htm">http://www.utrgv.edu/graduate/for-future-students/graduate-programs/index.htm</a>

As per the award terms and conditions, students supported under this program must meet the following eligibility criteria: students must be U.S. citizens, full-time postsecondary students, must maintain a minimum 3.0 grade point average, and not engaged in full-time employment outside the program and/or academic institution.

## Qualifications

Disciplinary background is open, including social sciences (e.g., geography, sociology, political science) and natural sciences (e.g., marine biology, environmental sciences). A bachelor's degree with a minimum 3.0 GPA is required for admission to graduate studies at UTRGV. Because this is a position funded by NOAA's Educational Partnership Program for Minority Serving Institutions (EPP-MSI), preference will be given to students representing minorities.

## Application Procedure

Candidates are invited to submit via email 1) a letter of interest outlining their skills and abilities, 2) curriculum vitae or resume, and 3) contact information for three professional references to Dr. Owen Temby at owen.temby@utrgv.edu. Review of applications will begin immediately and continue until positions are filled. **Only short-listed candidates will be notified.**