



Scholarship expands horizon for environmental scientists

Dr. Edward and Stephanie Laws established the Global Environmental Science Endowed Scholarship to support undergraduate students in the Global Environmental Science program (GES) in the Department of Oceanography.

“It’s all about opportunity. If we don’t give someone an opportunity, nothing is going to happen,” said Ed Laws. “The founding fathers didn’t say we were entitled to education, but how can we pursue happiness in this day and age without education?”

The first scholarship recipient, Noah Howins, is a junior in GES with plans to pursue graduate studies and coral reef research once he graduates.

“The scholarship has already allowed me to focus more on

my studies and on becoming the best scientist and person I can be,” said Howins (pictured above). “I hope I make Ed and Stephanie proud.”

After spending 30 years as a faculty member in SOEST’s oceanography department, Ed is now a professor in the Department of Environmental Sciences at Louisiana State University. Stephanie works for the City and County of Honolulu and is also active in the community, serving as member of ARCS Honolulu.



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