

SPRING SEMESTER POLICY INTERNSHIP

The Center for Clean Air Policy (CCAP) has an opening for a graduate-level, policy Internship based in Washington, D.C. Since 1985 CCAP has been a recognized world leader in climate and air quality policy working at the local, national and international levels. CCAP helps policymakers around the world to develop, promote and implement innovative, market-based solutions to major climate, air quality and energy problems that balance both environmental and economic interests.

POSITION DESCRIPTION

The intern will support CCAP's international and domestic work. S/he will provide research, analysis, report-writing and conference-preparation support for CCAP's projects focused on climate change mitigation policies. S/he will have the opportunity to contribute to research on important climate and energy topics, potentially including policies to support international climate change mitigation commitments, oil and gas regulation, carbon markets, climate finance, and distributed energy resources. The intern will have contact with policymakers and other experts, and will participate in cutting-edge climate change policy work. This position is an unpaid, 3 month internship (16-24 hours a week), in the February – May 2018 timeframe. The intern will report to CCAP policy staff.

Responsibilities include:

- Research and quantitative analysis on developing-country policies
- Policy analysis and writing
- Preparation support for workshops and stakeholder meetings
- Interaction with outside technical consultants, experts, and international policymakers on various assignments

The intern will support one or more projects, for example:

- U.S. Federal energy policy – Help identify and evaluate state policies related to distributed energy resources; help identify best practices and recommendations for federal policy; coordinate stakeholder meetings and webinars.
- International climate policy – Perform literature review of international and domestic carbon markets; review and summarize UNFCCC submissions; support the creation of a database of projects approved by the Green Climate Fund; help develop pilot programs to test out post-Paris internationally transferred mitigation outcomes.
- Oil and Gas sector – Research current oil and gas regulation in developing countries as well as best practice regulatory approaches. Assist in evaluating and recommending workable strategies to limit methane emissions.

QUALIFICATIONS

- Current graduate student from a program in public policy, international relations, economics, environmental science or related field
- Coursework or experience in environmental, climate, and energy policy required
- Excellent research and writing skills required
- Strong oral and written communication skills
- Strong organizational skills

- Ability to quickly get up to speed on technical issues
- Ability to understand legal/regulatory text a plus
- Fluency in Spanish, including the ability to speak and write to policy audiences a plus
- Prior experience a plus

APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

Applications, including a cover letter describing how your qualifications and interests match the responsibilities and projects described above, your resume (in Word or PDF format), and one writing sample should be sent to development@ccap.org by January 26, 2018. Please also reference where you learned of the position. In order to expedite the internal sorting and reviewing process, please type “Policy Internship” and your name (Last, First) as the only contents in the subject line of your e-mail.

All applicants must be able to legally work in the U.S. (this includes student visa holders). CCAP will not sponsor applicants.

The Center for Clean Air Policy is an equal opportunity employer.

