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Department

Institution University of California Berkeley
Berkeley, California

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Application Deadline 05/24/2025

Position Start Date Available immediately

Job Categories Faculty Associate

Academic Field(s) Environmental/Natural Resource Law

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Job Description

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Position overview Position title: Climate Policy Fellow

Salary range: The UC academic salary scales set the minimum pay determined by rank and step at appointment. See the following table(s) for the current salary scale(s) for this position:

https://www.ucop.edu/academic-personnel-programs/_files/2024-25/july-2024-scales/t24-b.pdf. The current base salary range for this position is \$73,000 - \$124,000. "Off-scale" salaries, which yield

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compensation that is higher than the published system-wide salary at the designated rank and step, are offered when necessary to meet competitive conditions.

Percent time: 100%

Anticipated start: summer 2025

Position duration: One-year term position, with the possibility of renewal.

Application Window

Open date: April 23, 2025

Next review date: Thursday, May 8, 2025 at 11:59pm (Pacific Time)

Apply by this date to ensure full consideration by the committee.

Final date: Saturday, May 24, 2025 at 11:59pm (Pacific Time)

Applications will continue to be accepted until this date, but those received after the review date will only be considered if the position has not yet been filled.

Position description

At Berkeley Law, we are committed to excellence in education and scholarship, as well as equality of opportunity. We believe we have a responsibility to use our substantial intellectual capital to help solve real-world problems and to create a more just society through clinics, research, and policy engagement. We believe that a Berkeley Law degree is a tool for change, both locally and globally, and that we should be educating the leaders of tomorrow. We maintain an environment that nurtures academic and personal growth, respects a diversity of ideas, and stimulates independent thought and critical reasoning.

The Center for Law, Energy & the Environment (CLEE) is based at the UC Berkeley School of Law, which benefits from one of the leading environmental law programs in the nation. Building on UC Berkeley's history of and commitment to research and public service, CLEE leverages the intellectual resources of Berkeley faculty and students in furtherance of applied research in a variety of environmental and energy law and policy areas. CLEE's research priorities include combating climate change, advancing sustainable energy, addressing water allocation and management challenges, and sustaining healthy oceans, among other pressing environmental and energy challenges.

The electricity affordability research will involve will working with state government leaders and

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electricity grid experts to identify and address research needs for practical solutions that can help both advance clean energy goals and reduce electricity rates in California. The work will involve convening these experts and drafting background material and research support for identified solutions. Ultimately, these activities will culminate in a policy report and a communications campaign to disseminate the ideas.

Primary Responsibilities

The climate policy fellow will:

- Conduct research on electricity affordability, including:
 - Analyze existing utility programs and legislative and agency policies to identify opportunities to reduce ratepayer costs and meet California's climate and energy goals. This will include conducting interviews, literature review, and using other research approaches to assess the options.
 - Based on outreach and other research, identify needed law and policy research questions.
 - Synthesize existing and original research to develop and describe policies, tools, and frameworks that can advance electricity affordability and clean energy goals.
- Convene electricity experts and policy makers for high-level meetings to identify and assess policy options and needed research needs.
- Support other researchers, including meeting with research fellows to support research progress; providing fellow mentorship and professional development; and recruitment of new research fellows.
- Identify funding opportunities to expand CLEE's research portfolio focused on electricity affordability and clean energy goals and provide input and support on proposal development.
- Represent CLEE to diverse audiences including policymakers, the media, and partner organizations.
- Support CLEE's communication and outreach activities across a range of media and work products, including drafting op-eds and blog posts; materials for the CLEE website; contributing to newsletters, annual reports, and other organizational materials.

For More Information: <https://www.law.berkeley.edu/research/clee/>

Qualifications

Basic qualifications (required at time of application)

Candidate must hold an advanced degree

Additional qualifications

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(required at time of start)

Master's degree plus three years of professional experience , JD or PHD.

Preferred qualifications

- JD or PhD degree and at least 5 years of professional experience
- Demonstrated experience working at the intersections of law, policy, climate change, and equity.
- Knowledge and experience working on energy regulation, electricity rates, and affordability.
- Record of successful outputs, including policy-relevant publications based on research and analysis.
- Ability to work with people from a variety of disciplinary backgrounds and policy perspectives.
- Ability to prioritize and function both independently and collaboratively
- Demonstrated ability to finish projects and deliver on commitments
- Willingness to plunge into unfamiliar disciplines
- Willingness to take risks by exploring and testing new ideas
- Experience working with state and local policy makers, environmental organizations, community leaders, and other stakeholders in California.
- Excitement and commitment to CLEE's mission and environmental sustainability, more generally.

Application Requirements

Document requirements

Additional materials may be requested of applicants.

- Curriculum Vitae - Your most recently updated C.V.
- Cover Letter
- Writing Sample - Writing Sample - A legal or policy memo or excerpt from legal or policy writing (5 pages maximum)

Reference requirements

- 3 required (contact information only)

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