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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 Change and Methane 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 \$61,300 - \$124,000. "Off-scale" salaries, which yield compensation that is higher than the published system-wide salary at the designated rank and step,

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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 Climate Change and Methane Policy Research Fellow will focus on multiple aspects of methane emissions reduction at the local, state, national, and international level, with the intent to move

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solutions to policy and scale, including with the Subnational Methane Action Coalition (SMAC). The fellow will conduct research and work with government and NGO partners to identify barriers to implementation of solutions, including political, technological, regulatory, and educational. The fellow will work closely with CLEE climate program leads on methane emission reduction actions in multiple sectors. Tasks may include development of frameworks and protocols for methane emission reduction for coal, oil and gas, landfill, and agriculture; methane emission inventories and data transparency (including satellite data); promotion of international agreements, including legal research, work with partners, and drafting; creation and maintenance of website with best practices and clearinghouse of methane information; developing strategies for increased visibility of methane action; drafting legislation; convening experts; promoting pilot projects; and industry outreach. The fellow may also work on other climate issues, time permitting. The exact responsibilities will vary based on the evolution of various initiatives, the expertise and experience of the selected research fellow, and in response to the ongoing evolution of the field.

Primary Responsibilities:

The responsibilities of the Climate Change and Methane Policy fellow will include:

- Engaging in a variety of activities to support the ongoing project research and implementation, particularly in conjunction with SMAC;
- Conducting research on methane emission issues and solutions, including policy, science, law, and technology, under the direction of and in collaboration with CLEE team members, affiliates, and other experts in relevant fields, and in conjunction with SMAC;
- Developing projects and initiatives in collaboration with CLEE team members;
- Drafting outputs in a variety of possible formats, ranging from framing papers to blog posts to social media posts, and providing website updates;
- Working with CLEE climate program leads in organizing and facilitating meetings, workshops, and other convenings with subject matter experts, particularly in conjunction with SMAC;
- Reports, etc. to sponsors, media, and nongovernmental, governmental, academic, and/or stakeholder communities as needed;
- Assisting with other miscellaneous aspects of project activities as appropriate;
- Working closely with staff from the State of California focused on methane emissions;
- Some work with AI as applicable.

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

Qualifications

Basic qualifications

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(required at time of application)

Candidate must have an advanced degree or be enrolled in an advanced degree program.

Additional qualifications (required at time of start)

Candidate must hold an advanced degree

Preferred qualifications

- JD or MA/S degree with at least 3 years of professional experience
- Demonstrated experience developing solutions at the intersections of legal, policy, climate change, and equity.
- Knowledge and experience addressing methane emissions and/or other non-CO2 greenhouse gases, including policy development, emission inventories, and reduction strategies.
- 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 - A legal or policy memo or excerpt from legal or policy writing (5 pages maximum)

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Reference requirements

- 3 required (contact information only)

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