

Job Description – Clean Energy Intern

Summary: EQ Research is seeking a full or part-time intern during summer 2021 (i.e. mid-May to mid-August), primarily to support the development of a series of publicly available updates on state-level clean energy policy and market topics. The updates may take the form of case studies, blog posts or other topical web content that in all cases will include visualizations/infographics (using [Tableau Public](#), for example) that will be promoted via multiple platforms (e.g., website, newsletter, Twitter, LinkedIn). This work supports company marketing and communication initiatives while also providing relevant, useful content for the clean energy community. This internship is also designed to provide the intern with opportunities for client interaction. The student should apply for funding for this internship from the [Duke University Energy Internship](#).

Location: Cary, NC (This internship will be remote due to COVID-19)

About EQ Research

EQ Research provides policy research, analysis and expert witness support to businesses, non-profits and other clean energy stakeholders. Our staff's clean energy expertise includes state legislative and regulatory policy, local government policy, financial incentives, RPS policies and REC markets, solar policy, net metering, interconnection procedures, general rate cases, integrated resource planning, low carbon fuels, electric rate design, energy storage and electric vehicles.

What you'll be doing

- Survey EQ staff and client(s), like the [Coalition for Community Solar Access](#), to identify the universe of hot topics in state climate and energy policies and practices. Iterate with staff and select client(s) to refine a list for content development.
- Conduct independent research and analysis on the selected "hot topics" using EQ Research's Policy Vista™ databases, interviews with staff and clients, reports and other primary sources.
- Work with EQ Research staff and possibly client(s) to create and publish at least 3 publications/blogs (~one monthly), that incorporate infographics, policy maps and case studies with a goal of co-authorship or authorship.
- Support EQ Research content development, in coordination with EQ Research staff, for at least one solar energy industry association presentation on a clean energy policy hot topic such as community solar.
- There may be the opportunity to work directly with clients on a range of deliverables, such as contributing to political backdrop/landscape memos or developing standardized clean energy program primers educational materials.
- Contribute to EQ Research's policy subscription products as needed.

Required qualifications

EQ Research seeks applicants that have completed at least their junior year and/or are in their first year of graduate school and have demonstrated experience in clean energy policy and/or clean energy market research (i.e. through coursework, classes, clubs, prior work experience). The selected applicant must have strong research and excellent communication (written and oral) skills, be comfortable working with with Microsoft Office (Word, Excel, PowerPoint) and Google docs, sheets and presentations.

Ideal qualifications

- Experience with and/or desire to learn and use Tableau Public and/or other mapping and data visualization programs
- Extremely detail-oriented and organized
- Ability to learn quickly
- Ability to work independently and drive the workstream(s)
- Willingness to pitch-in at all levels
- Coursework in energy and/or environmental policy

What you can expect to gain

- Specific knowledge of key trends in clean energy
- Direct work experience and the cultivation of professional contacts
- A chance to hone skills including interviewing, effective communication, data analysis, development of visualizations, and project and time management

How to apply

Submit your resume and cover letter to Amanda Vanega, Director of Operations, avanega@eq-research.com