## **Advancing the Clean Energy Future**



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## **Policy Advocate**

Acadia Center is seeking an experienced **Policy Advocate** to join our team working in Maine.

**Responsibilities and Qualifications.** The Policy Advocate will have a core role advancing Acadia Center's efforts to promote and implement energy and climate policy reforms focusing on energy efficiency, clean energy, utility and power grid policy reforms in Maine and regional forums. The position is expected to include activities such as representing Acadia Center in state regulatory proceedings and state and regional policy forums; drafting public comments, educational documents and filings; working with partner organizations and building coalitions; and communicating policy issues with media. A significant part of this position will be focused on Acadia Center's community energy initiative by interacting with other organizations and network building for policy reforms and community energy projects.

The successful candidate will have an interest in energy and environmental issues and ideally have exposure to utility or energy policy issues. Strong analytical skills and a comfort level with data analysis/interpretation are important in our work. Candidates should be excited by opportunities for public speaking, expository writing, and advocacy, and be comfortable working cooperatively in a team structure while handling independent assignments. Candidates should be able to work with diverse constituencies to advance policy goals in legislative, regulatory, and advisory settings and be able to assert the organization's goals in a professional and competent manner. Two to five years experience in a consultancy, law practice, public agency, NGO or other relevant setting is desired. Candidates with advanced degrees in law or public policy are preferred but those with relevant experience who evidence a strong interest in and capacity to advance policy reforms will be given equal consideration.

**About Acadia Center**. Acadia Center is a non-profit, research and advocacy organization committed to advancing the clean energy future. Acadia Center is at the forefront of efforts to build clean, low carbon and consumer friendly economies. Acadia Center provides accurate and reliable information, and offers a real-world and comprehensive approach to problem solving through innovation and collaboration. Acadia Center staff is based in offices in Boston, MA; Providence, RI; Hartford, CT; New York, NY; Rockport, ME; and Ottawa, ON, Canada, with additional staff in Maine and the Vermont/New Hampshire area. Acadia Center researches, develops and advocates innovative policies that tackle the region's environmental challenges while promoting sustainable economies. Acadia Center's Climate and Energy Analysis Center (CLEAN) fills a needed role for targeted, reliable data and policy analysis. Acadia Center has a unique capacity to combine a wide range of data sources, complex technical research, and economic analysis into useful information for policy makers, the media and the public. Our work is highly regarded among non-profits, business, consumers, public officials and the media and is used widely to help advance clean energy and climate solutions at the state, regional and federal levels. Acadia Center has received Charity Navigator's highest 4 Star rating for fiscal management and devotion of revenues to program work.

Salary is commensurate with the selected candidate's experience and skill level. Benefits including health care, dental, retirement and disability.

To apply, please send a cover letter of interest, resume and at least two professional references to <u>admin@acadiacenter.org</u> and please insert **Policy Advocate ME** in the subject line. Phone calls will not be accepted.

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