# **Policy Analyst**

### **Employment Opportunity**

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Acadia Center, a non-profit, research and advocacy organization committed to advancing the clean energy future, is seeking a Policy Analyst to engage in project work on climate and energy issues including energy efficiency, climate policy, renewable power, and sustainable transportation.

## **Responsibilities and Qualifications**

The Policy Analyst will work on a variety of projects advancing Acadia Center's efforts to promote and implement energy and climate policy reforms focusing on clean energy, utility and power grid policy and energy efficiency. The Policy Analyst would work as a key team member performing policy research and analysis; prepare Acadia Center publications that support outreach efforts; research and draft legislative and regulatory filings; help develop policy and program recommendations, and participate in strategic planning around key program work. In addition, the Policy Analyst would present research and policy recommendations to stakeholders and policymakers in a variety of forums. Strong analytical skills and a comfort level with data analysis/interpretation are important in our work. Candidates should be excited by opportunities for research, expository writing, and advocacy, and be comfortable working cooperatively in a team structure while handling independent assignments. The ideal candidate will have strong analytic and communications (written and oral) skills and an interest in energy and environmental issues. Familiarity with Microsoft Excel and an interest in using data to inform policy options is desired. A J.D. or master's degree in a relevant field is preferred, but consideration will be given to exceptional candidates without advanced degrees who evidence a strong interest in sustainable environmental and economic policies.

More specifically, substantive areas include:

- Develop recommendations on policy directions for our work in climate and energy issues that seeks to transition to a clean energy system
- Craft novel approaches to positioning and presenting greenhouse gas reduction strategies for local, state and federal policymakers
- Developing new approaches to the structure and management of the electric grid
- Incentive and contracting policies to promote installation of renewable power
- Advancing electric vehicle adoption and analysis of the intersection between increased EV market share and the current electric grid capacity and the associated impact on emissions, energy costs, and the regional economy
- Examine ways that municipalities can lead in the adoption of GHG mitigation measures
- Work with the Acadia-CLEAN team to analyze and report on state and regional greenhouse gas emissions levels, energy trends, and other key information
- Quantify potential greenhouse gas savings from specific energy efficiency, renewable energy and other climate mitigation policies

### Hours and Compensation

This is a full time position which can be based in Hartford, CT or Providence, RI. Salary is commensurate with the selected candidate's experience and skill level. Benefits include health care, dental, retirement and disability.

#### 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.

### To Apply

To apply, please send a cover letter of interest, resume and at least two professional references to <a href="mailto:admin@acadiacenter.org">admin@acadiacenter.org</a>. Please insert **Policy Analyst** in the subject line, and where you saw the posting in the body of the email. Phone calls will not be accepted.

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