

## ANNOUNCING TUITION-FREE LLM/GEI ENERGY FELLOW POSITION

## APPLICATIONS ACCEPTED UNTIL APRIL 5, 2019 POSITION OPEN UNTIL FILLED; EARLY APPLICATIONS ENCOURAGED

The law school's Environmental, Natural Resources, & Energy Law Program is now accepting applications from Lewis & Clark JD students who will be graduating in May of 2019 for one to two Green Energy Institute (GEI) Energy Fellow positions to begin in the summer or fall of 2019. The one-year fellowships provide a tuition-free LLM degree offered pursuant to Lewis & Clark's joint JD/LLM degree program.

GEI's mission is to develop and advocate for strategic policy reforms that promote a swift transition to a zero-carbon energy system. More information about GEI can be found at <a href="https://law.lclark.edu/centers/green energy">https://law.lclark.edu/centers/green energy</a> institute/.

A GEI Energy Fellow typically does the following:

- Assists GEI staff with substantive projects, including data collection and analysis, research and analysis of renewable energy laws and policies, and outreach to stakeholders;
- 2. Drafts memoranda and contributes to policy reports and recommendations;
- 3. Researches and writes weekly blog entries on energy or climate policy issues;
- 4. Attends local conferences to present research and/or network with others in the energy sector; and
- 5. Participates in weekly staff meetings and works collaboratively with GEI's director, staff, and student research associates.

## LLM Eligibility Requirements

Candidates must be successfully admitted to the LLM phase of the joint degree program or must apply and be accepted to the LLM phase once awarded the fellowship. Through this program, Lewis & Clark students can receive the LLM degree with approximately one-half of the normally required credits by applying some of their JD credits to the LLM degree.

The Energy Fellow will be able to apply up to 12 credits of environmental, natural resources, and energy law coursework taken as a JD towards the LLM degree, except for Administrative Law and Environmental Law. As an LLM student, the Fellow will take an additional 14 credits (2 for the LLM seminar and 12 additional environmental, natural resources, or energy law credits). The 14 credits earned in the LLM phase and the 12 credits earned as a JD will total the 26 credits needed for the LLM degree. Candidates must have completed Administrative Law, Environmental Law, and 12 credits of environmental, natural resources, and energy law coursework as JD student to be eligible for the fellowship.

The GEI Energy Fellow will typically spread her or his required LLM credits over two semesters to have time to work on GEI projects and will take the LLM seminar in the fall and spring semesters. Absent special permission, a GEI Energy Fellow may not enroll in a clinic, externship or legal practicum due to possible conflicts and the time commitment needed to do the fellowship.

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## **Application Instructions**

Each applicant must be planning to graduate with a JD degree from Lewis & Clark in May 2019. The applicant must complete the LLM application materials and, in the cover statement, explain his or her interest in serving as the GEI Energy Fellow. The cover letter should also describe the applicant's relevant energy law experience and expertise. **LLM applications are available by contacting Kelly Novahom at** <u>knovahom@lclark.edu</u> or on the Web at: <u>https://law.lclark.edu/programs/environmental and natural resources law/degrees/llm/ap</u> plication info/

Applications are due April 5, 2019, but GEI may fill the positions earlier. Applicants are therefore encouraged to apply early.

For questions, please contact Professor Melissa Powers at <u>powers@lclark.edu</u> or Associate Dean Janice Weis at <u>jweis@lclark.edu</u>