Energy, Climate, and Equity Internship



College to County Intern 2024 - Office of Sustainability

Pay Rate: \$24 per hour

Job Type: Temporary College Intern

Duration: Summer 2024- 12 weeks - Starting in June

Hours: 20 - 40 hours a week

Location: Remote or Hybrid In-Person at Multnomah Building - 501 SE Hawthorne Blvd, Portland OR 97214

TriMet Passes are available if transportation to County facilities is required.

Eligibility requirements and more details found on our College to County website.

Office of Sustainability Description:

The Multnomah County Office of Sustainability was established in 2010 to help plan, implement, and coordinate the County's environmental sustainability programs. The Office of Sustainability's mission is to work to create a just, equitable, livable, resilient, and low carbon community by centering the priorities of frontline communities and advancing sustainability efforts within the County, region, and state. We envision a community and a world where everyone experiences life in a stable climate, has a safe place to live, and can access clean air, clean water, and the resources they need to thrive.

Job Task Description:

The Energy, Climate, and Equity intern will support the Office of Sustainability in a variety of projects, including with a main project based on the intern's interests and experience as well as the Office's needs. Projects could include:

- Conducting research on best practices to address energy burden in order to support engagement in regulatory proceeding
- Supporting the Office's communications related to community resilience, and working with resilience network to advance a project identified by the network
- Researching the effectiveness of local, urban heat-island and climate-resilience strategies.
- Supporting Climate Justice Planning process through outreach, event planning, and document drafting
- Supporting regulatory work on policies that maximize local, community-benefitting energy projects

Minimum Qualifications:

- Ability to follow directions, work independently, and self-start projects or seek guidance when needed
- Ability to work collaboratively and develop effective working relationships with diverse groups of people
- Comfort presenting work verbally and in writing
- Demonstrated interest on issues related to environmental, climate, or energy justice
- Eagerness to learn new skills and subject matter

Preferred Qualifications (include any of the following):

- Strong writing, research, and analytical skills
- Experience conducting monitoring and research in the field
- Experience creating charts, graphs, and other figures for reports and presentations
- Experience with spreadsheets and databases to support project activities
- Experience analyzing the impacts of potential policy decisions
- Experience with environmental policies and laws
- Experience developing effective marketing/communication messages/strategies
- Lived experience that brings new perspective to sustainability work

Veterans' Preference:

Under Oregon Law, qualifying veterans may apply for veterans' preference for this recruitment. Review our veterans' preference website for details about eligibility and how to apply.

For veterans qualified for Veterans' Preference: If you believe you have skills that would transfer well to this position and/or special qualifications that relate to this position, please list those skills and/or qualifications in the box below. Clearly explain how those skills and/or qualifications apply.

Application Instructions:

Please fill out and submit an application for this position through the form provided. Also located on this website.