Energy Economist

The Institute for Policy Integrity at New York University School of Law (policyintegrity.org) is seeking an economist with expertise in energy policy. The ideal candidate should have a focus on policy-oriented, interdisciplinary research in utility regulation, or energy economics and policy.

About Policy Integrity:

Policy Integrity is a non-partisan think tank housed at New York University School of Law and dedicated to improving the quality of government decisionmaking through legal advocacy and academic scholarship in the fields of administrative law, cost-benefit analysis, and public policy. Richard L. Revesz, dean emeritus of NYU Law School, is Policy Integrity's director. Policy Integrity's interdisciplinary mission focuses on the rational use of economic analysis in government decisionmaking and how tools like cost-benefit analysis and distributional analysis can improve policy design. Policy Integrity's work covers a range of issue areas, with a particular emphasis on federal environmental protections and federal- and state-level electricity policies, as well as public health and consumer protection.

Policy Integrity’s successful advocacy outcomes—in which Economists have played key roles—include ensuring that agencies are required to consider the lost social benefits and other harms of any deregulatory actions; guiding state utility regulators on the need to value environmental externalities in energy policy decisions; convincing both federal and state courts to endorse the use of the social cost of carbon for monetizing avoided climate damages; prompting the Department of the Interior to analyze the option value of delaying offshore oil leases; and supporting states and Planned Parenthood in litigation over regulatory attempts to block federal funding for reproductive healthcare.

Responsibilities:

The Energy Economist will collaborate with Policy Integrity's legal and economic researchers to prepare policy reports, comments in regulatory proceedings, and journal articles on a variety of issues including energy and climate policy, wholesale electricity market design, and retail electricity policies. They will analyze proposed wholesale and retail market rule changes, and provide insights to inform policymaking.

For any questions about the position, please contact Dr. Burçin Ünel at burcun.unel@nyu.edu.
**Benefits and Terms of Employment:**

The salary and benefits are generous and include, for example, several comprehensive insurance options as well as (after one year of employment) tuition remission eligibility and an automatic additional retirement contribution equal to 5% of base salary, plus another matching contribution of up to 5% more. Staff members also have access to academic enrichment opportunities at NYU Law School, including some faculty workshops, colloquia, and other scholarly forums. Adjunct teaching opportunities are also possible.

**Qualifications:**

- Ph.D. in economics or a related field and 2–3 years of relevant work experience in energy policy strongly preferred.
- Strong candidates with a master’s degree and 5+ years of experience will also be considered.
- Excellent programming skills are essential. Ease with big-data methods are a plus.
- Excellent written communications skills required. Applicants’ written materials will be reviewed to assess their professionalism, independent thinking, and persuasive writing skills, as well as their ability and willingness to absorb new subject matters in law and policy.

Policy Integrity is committed to a culture in which all people are welcomed, respected, supported, and valued to fully participate. We welcome and encourage applications from diverse applicants, and we consider multiple aspects of diversity. New York University is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

**To Apply:**

Send the following to [megan.abron@nyu.edu](mailto:megan.abron@nyu.edu), with “Energy Economist Application” in the subject line:

1. a cover letter detailing your interest in Policy Integrity,
2. a brief statement (less than one page) on how your background or experiences would enhance the diversity, inclusivity, or perspectives of Policy Integrity,
3. a resume,
4. an official or up-to-date unofficial transcript,
5. job market paper, recently published paper, or policy brief/report, and
6. three letters of reference
Please send your application materials by February 28, 2022. Applications may be reviewed on a rolling basis.