Intern

Climable, Inc and Synapse Energy Economics are seeking an ambitious and creative research intern with excellent quantitative and communication skills. The ideal candidate is interested in energy and is eager to learn about the fields that Synapse and Climable operate in, specifically about conducting and communicating technical economic environmental analysis and concepts. We value candidate’s lived experience and we prefer those with a commitment to public interest issues such as sustainability and environmental justice. **We are seeking to expand the pipeline for candidates from BIPOC communities.**

There will be three internship cycles per year that are meant to align with the school calendar. The internship cycles will run from approximately mid-January through mid-May, mid-May through August 31, and September 1 through December 15. In the spring and fall, this internship will be 20-32 hours a week. In the summer, we anticipate 25-35 hours per week. This internship provides a stipend of $1,000 per week for full-time interns and prorated for part-time.

About Us:

Synapse Energy Economics is a consulting firm that provides research, analysis, expert testimony, reports, regulatory support, and other consulting services related to energy, economics, and the environment. Since its inception in 1996, Synapse has grown to become a leader in providing rigorous analysis of the electric power and natural gas sectors for public interest and governmental clients.

Climable is a woman-run nonprofit organization that distills complicated information that is relevant to the most pressing environmental challenges into plain, easy-to-understand language. Climable works to make climate science and clean energy understandable and actionable for everyone. Climable provides support for environmentally conscious organizations and organizes community-based microgrid initiatives.

In this program, interns are recruited by Climable and trained and onboarded onto projects by Synapse.

Internship Description:

The Intern will provide research and analysis to support Synapse’s project work on a variety of topics. A portion of the internship will be dedicated to training, education, and exposure to Synapse’s areas of expertise including energy efficiency, renewable energy technologies, resource planning, electricity rates, electric vehicles, environmental regulations, and electricity markets. These trainings will be conducted by in-house experts. Additionally, the Intern will gain experience in expert witness testimony by attending hearings and supporting the testimony writing process.

Responsibilities:

- Perform analytical and research tasks under the supervision of project manager or other team members.
- Research and analyze energy programs and strategies, as well as energy technology costs, savings, and market penetrations.
- Maintain, use, and modify spreadsheet-based tools to analyze energy technologies, programs, and portfolios.
- Assist with the organization of research materials.
- Assist with writing of blogs, whitepapers, and reports.

**Technical Skills:**
- Ability to develop and implement research strategies to support project and client needs.
- Excellent written and verbal communication skills.
- Ability to synthesize and summarize research and analysis.
- Ability to work and communicate well with project managers and team members.
- Ability to manage complex tasks with competing priorities and time requirements.

**Qualifications:**
- Current graduate student in Policy, Engineering, Economics, Environmental Studies, Physics, Mathematics, Business, or related fields.
- Strong interest in energy, energy justice, or related field.
- Strong proficiency in Microsoft Excel. Please note, an Excel skills evaluation is conducted as part of the interview process.
- Lived experience of injustice and/or vulnerable community perspective.

To apply, email your resume to info@climable.org. Please include the name of the referring person, professor, or advisor.

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