



Applied Economics Clinic Job Announcement

The Applied Economics Clinic (AEC) has an open position for a qualified Assistant Researcher. (Depending on experience and qualifications of applicants, AEC may hire for the more senior role of Researcher).

Assistant Researcher job description

AEC is a non-profit consulting firm providing services in the areas of energy, climate, other environmental issues, and social equity. An AEC Assistant Researcher supports project managers to perform research and analysis for our clients (public interest environmental and social equity advocacy groups and agencies).

Tasks and responsibilities for an Assistant Researcher include:

- Research and summarize information on energy, environment and equity topics as directed by project managers (30%)
- Organize and analyze data as directed by project managers (30%)
- Attend meetings and conferences with AEC staff, clients, and other experts (10%)
- Assist with writing projects including social media, proposals for new projects, and authoring AEC blog posts (10%)
- Assist with internal organizational needs including invoicing, website upkeep, and other critical administrative tasks shared by all employees (10%)
- Attend trainings to advance in skill and knowledge (10%)

AEC is looking for a candidate with a Bachelor's degree in a technical field (economics, engineering, science, etc.) with experience or interest in the areas of energy, environment, or social equity. Please review our mandatory and desired qualifications below and note that we do not necessarily eliminate applicants who do not tick all our boxes; the ideal candidate is enthusiastic about AEC's work and mission and ready to learn. This is a full-time position—only applicants who can work full-time will be considered. We also expect all applicants to be willing and able to work a minimum of two days per week from our Arlington, MA office. (AEC staff are currently working remotely but plan to return to a hybrid office plan soon.)

Applications received by November 30, 2021 will receive first consideration, but applications received after November 30 will be considered until the position is filled.

Mandatory qualifications:

- Bachelor's degree in any technical field (economics, engineering, science, etc.)
- Fluency in Microsoft Office applications, especially Excel
- Good technical and popular audience writing skills
- Ability to work on multiple projects simultaneously and manage time well
- Ability to work collaboratively, sharing tasks, knowledge, and workspace with colleagues
- Willingness to learn and use feedback to improve



Desired (but not required) qualifications:

- Master's degree in any technical field (economics, engineering, science, etc.)
- Experience working on climate, energy, environment, consumer issues or equity issues, particularly in a research and/or consulting capacity
- Experience in statistics, modeling, and/or other forms of quantitative analysis; energy modeling experience is especially useful
- Excellent technical and popular audience writing skills

Salary and benefits at AEC:

- 35-hour work week
- 8 weeks time off (including sick-time and holidays)
- HRA health benefits
- IRA retirement benefits
- Emphasis on teamwork and mentorship
- All staff members' viewpoints considered in decision making; staff representation on organization's Board of Directors
- Depending on the applicant's specific qualifications, minimum starting salary of \$59,000-\$72,000 with potential—pending performance reviews—of increasing to \$67,000-\$83,000 within one year

To apply, please send the following materials to jobs@aeclinic.org:

- A cover letter; in your letter or cover email, please let us know where you saw this job ad
- CV or resume including URL links to relevant work (writing and spreadsheet samples)
- The names and contact information of three references who can speak to how well you fit these qualifications.

Applied Economics Clinic

Based in Arlington, Massachusetts, the Applied Economics Clinic (AEC, www.aeclinic.org) is a mission-based non-profit consulting group that offers expert services in the areas of energy, environment, consumer protection, and equity from seasoned professionals while providing on-the-job training to the next generation of technical experts.

AEC's non-profit status allows us to provide lower-cost services than most consultancies and when we receive foundation grants, AEC also offers services on a pro bono basis. AEC's clients are primarily public interest organizations—non-profits, government agencies, and green business associations—who work on issues related to AEC's areas of expertise. Our work products include expert testimony, analysis, modeling, policy briefs, and reports, on topics including energy and emissions forecasting, economic assessment of proposed infrastructure plans, and research on cutting-edge, flexible energy system resources.



AEC works proactively to support and promote diversity in our areas of work by providing applied, on-the-job learning experiences to graduate students—and occasionally highly qualified undergraduates—in related fields such as economics, environmental engineering, and political science. Over the past four years, AEC has hosted research assistants from Boston University, Brandeis University, Clark University, Tufts University, and the University of Massachusetts-Amherst. AEC is committed to a just workplace that is diverse, pays a living wage, and is responsive to the needs of its five full-time and eight part-time staff.

Founded by Clinic Director and Senior Economist Elizabeth A. Stanton, PhD in 2017, AEC's talented researchers and analysts provide a unique service-minded consulting experience. Dr. Stanton has had two decades of professional experience as a political and environmental economist leading numerous studies on environmental regulation, alternatives to fossil fuel infrastructure, and local and upstream emissions analysis. AEC professional staff includes experts in electric, multi-sector and economic systems modeling, climate and emissions analysis, green technologies, and translating technical information for a general audience. AEC's staff are committed to addressing climate change and environmental injustice in all its forms through diligent, transparent, and comprehensible research and analysis.

AEC Mission

1. Provide low cost and (when we receive foundation grants) pro bono expert services to public interest groups on the topics of energy, environment, consumer protection, and equity.
2. Train the next generation of expert technical witnesses and analysts by providing applied, on-the-job learning experiences to graduate students in related fields.
3. Work proactively to support and promote diversity in the fields of economics, engineering, math and sciences.