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Call for Senior Fellow Nominations

*The Kleinman Center for Energy Policy seeks nominations for senior fellows.*

Our senior fellows program brings distinguished practitioners to the Kleinman Center for year-long fellowships to enrich their own learning and professional development—while expanding the center’s expertise areas and research agenda. A Kleinman Center senior fellow has proven expertise in their field with specialized experience as a policy maker, regulator, industry leader, or analyst.

A senior fellowship provides opportunities for exploring energy policy interests at the University of Pennsylvania, collaborating with faculty, and connecting with students.

**ENGAGEMENT**

Senior fellows may propose their own type of engagement or may engage in existing programming opportunities at the Kleinman Center, such as:

1. **Research**
   - Lead a research project to inform policymakers about a timely issue
   - Participate in an ongoing research project at the Kleinman Center
   - Collaborate with affiliated faculty or faculty fellow on an existing project

2. **Workshops, Seminars, and Events**
   - Organize workshops, conferences, seminars, or public events that convene key players on the topic of the fellow’s expertise
   - Support the organization of *Energy Week at Penn*
   - Invite speakers and participate in events the center sponsors
   - Speak in a class or seminar session

3. **Commentary**
   - Write news articles, op-eds, or blog posts to disseminate research findings or to discuss and analyze timely policy issues
   - Participate in the Kleiman Center Podcast *Energy Policy Now*

4. **Teaching and Mentorship**
   - Teach a class
   - Speak in a class
   - Present at a Kleinman Center seminar
EXPECTATIONS
This is a paid opportunity, with a stipend that reflects the time and engagement proposed by the senior fellow. Travel expenses are also covered. Fellows agree to visit campus at least once a month if they live in the Mid-Atlantic region, or twice a year if they live outside of the region.

Each senior fellow agrees to a full year of engagement, ideally from July 1, 2023 to June 30, 2024.

During that time they will produce a certain number of outputs (related to their custom engagement), like policy digests, reports, blogs, op-eds, events, courses, seminar sessions, etc.

NOMINATION PROCESS
The Kleinman Center will accept nominations by email from March 13 to April 14, 2023. Please send to Lucy Corlett at lcorlett@upenn.edu.

Nominations may be made by an individual or on behalf of another. If the latter, please copy the nominee in your nomination letter. Be sure to include a resume or CV and a brief paragraph explaining the nominee’s commitment to one of the three interest areas listed below.

Selected nominees will then be invited to submit proposals describing the type of engagement they would like to undertake during their fellowship year (deadline: May 1, 2023).

INTEREST AREAS
For 2023, the center has selected the following areas of interest to guide senior fellow applications and potential contributions throughout the year:

Electricity Markets
The Kleinman Center seeks perspectives on policy issues related to electricity markets across the United States. The decarbonization of power systems and the electrification of the economy are creating a myriad of challenges for achieving resilience, reliability, and affordability goals in the electricity sector.

Example Questions of Interest: How are federal, state, and local governments tackling these challenges? How can utilities and market participants deliver clean, reliable, affordable electricity while running a profitable business? How should market pricing, structure, and governance be designed for the abovementioned goals in the electricity sector?

Global Carbon Pricing
The Kleinman Center seeks perspectives on the critical role carbon valuation plays in global climate goals. Carbon pricing has become an important policy tool and is heavily utilized by public and private entities worldwide, but it has yet to be deployed globally.

Example Questions of Interest: How can we bring carbon prices into international climate negotiations beyond bilateral conversations of carbon offset credits? How can carbon markets, taxes, or internal carbon prices be designed and implemented globally? How can we direct the funds generated by a global carbon market to compensate for the climate-related losses and damages disproportionately experienced by vulnerable developing countries?
European Energy
The Kleinman Center seeks perspectives on how European energy markets and supply chains have been reshaped in the wake of the war in Ukraine and the conflict’s longer-term impact on energy geopolitics in Europe. The war has initiated a significant shift in energy use and sourcing, leaving European energy security in balance. It has also opened opportunities for renewable producers and previously disfavored alternative energy sources, like nuclear.

Example Questions of Interest: Could the disassociation from Russian oil be an opportunity for Europe to make a final move away from fossil fuels? What is the role of LNG? How might we accelerate the construction of the required energy infrastructure to achieve energy security and independence? What are the new geopolitics of energy one year after the conflict started?

About the Kleinman Center
As the world moves away from fossil fuels to cleaner, more sustainable energy sources, the Kleinman Center for Energy Policy is the place on Penn campus driving policy innovations to guide this energy transition. The center convenes students, faculty, and practitioners from all disciplines to explore these complex challenges through research, courses, events, and hands-on learning.

Mission Statement: We create the conditions for policy innovation that support a just and efficient transition to sustainable energy.

Learn more about the Kleinman Center at: kleinmanenergy.upenn.edu