



Education/Research Intern

The Clean Air Coalition of WNY empowers Western New York communities to protect their right to live and work in a healthy environment. To protect that right, the Clean Air Coalition organizes community members and builds diverse coalitions with other organizations. The Coalition's aim is to build the political will to reduce environmental health hazards in Western New York. Currently, the organization is working on reducing air pollution in Tonawanda, NY.

The Coalition seeks interns to assist with research and analysis for three projects. The information gathered through these projects will be used to educate community members and inform future campaigns.

Regulatory Research Intern: The Coalition seeks a student to research and analyze air pollution reduction strategies in other heavily industrialized towns and cities. We are looking for successful policies that have been implemented elsewhere that could be adopted in Tonawanda. The research will include reading and analyzing local cap and trade initiatives, researching the success of company self-reporting in other states and the effectiveness of local environmental report cards in other counties and states.

Toxic Research Intern: The Coalition seeks an intern to lead research efforts to identify additional health hazards in Western New York. The intern will use NYS DEC and US EPA documents and reports, health studies and other, relevant literature to identify environmental health hazards. The projects will focus on hazardous waste in Tonawanda and air pollution and hazardous waste in North Buffalo.

Political Research Intern: This intern will be responsible for identifying which politicians are financially supported by top polluters in WNY. The project will require identifying the owners and leaders of polluting companies and their political connections. Interested students must be familiar with online research. Experience with www.opensecrets.org or www.littlesis.org is helpful.

Helpful Experience:

- An excellent verbal and written command of English
- Well-organized, self-motivated, and reliable
- Excellent inter-personal communication skills
- Computer skills (i.e., Microsoft Office, Internet applications) are essential
- Interest and experience in environmental advocacy desirable

How to apply:

Send a cover letter explaining your interest and your availability along with your resume to erin@cacwny.org.