

Energy and Sustainability Policy Capstone Project Agreement

This project represents the culminating experience for Energy and Sustainability Policy majors. Students are challenged to pull together the wide array of knowledge they’ve acquired while in the program and apply the skills they’ve refined in a practical scenario in the real world to hopefully have a tangible impact in their communities. This inquiry-based project challenges students to step out from behind their computers and tackle the more complicated problems of sustainability they see and experience in their own communities. They are asked to identify, organize, execute, and reflect on a local issue related to energy, climate, or sustainability more broadly with particular emphasis on policy-based solutions. Collaboration with relevant stakeholders and community entities is crucial to their success in completing this capstone project.

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| Student Name and Email |  |
| Semester Start and End Dates |  |
| Community Partner Organization |  |
| Contact Person, Title, Email |  |

**Project Scope:** *Provide a summary (150-300 words) of the intended scope of work for the semester.*

**Project Deliverables:** *Provide a bulleted list of the work products this semester’s efforts will provide to the Community Partner.* (Example deliverables include but are not limited to: reports, presentations, website content, policy memos, flyers, infographics, training manuals, digital stories, story maps, videos.)

# Expectations

**Student Community Partner**

* Students will devote roughly 120 hours to the development, research, and execution of this scope of work.
* Students will comply with any applicable

Non-Disclosure requires from the Community Partner (if applicable).

* Student will produce agreed upon

deliverables to the Community Partner (as described on Page 1) at agreed upon deadlines.

# Agreement

* Community Partner will provide reasonable access to the appropriate data and information for the Student to complete the work outlined in the Scope of Work and to produce the agreed upon Deliverables

The Community Partner understands and agrees to support the Student’s pursuit of a successful and rewarding capstone experience while providing meaningful benefit to the Community Partner. The Student understands and agrees to produce quality work in accordance with the Scope of Work and deliverables requested in addition to other class-based assignments. The Energy and Sustainability Policy Program at Penn State appreciates the time and commitment of the Community Partner to making this experiential learning possible. Thank you! Any questions or concerns are welcome and may be directed to Brandi Robinson, [brobinson@psu.edu.](mailto:brobinson@psu.edu)

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EME 466 Instructor Signature

Date

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Student Signature

Date

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Community Partner Signature Date