



Press Release

EESI and George Washington University Launch New Scholarship

Amelia Lindsay-Kaufman First Recipient of the Environmental and Energy Study Institute Graduate Fellowship

The **Environmental and Energy Study Institute (EESI)** and **George Washington University** are delighted to announce Master's degree candidate **Amelia Lindsay-Kaufman** as the first recipient of the new Environmental and Energy Study Institute Graduate Fellowship.

An anonymous benefactor established a new endowment in EESI's name to support graduate students at the **Trachtenberg School of Public Policy and Public Administration** of the **George Washington University Columbian College of Arts and Sciences**. The donor established the endowment in the spirit of **EESI's mission and vision** for a sustainable, resilient, and equitable world.

"EESI is honored to be associated with our generous friend's new endowment and scholarship," said **EESI Board Chair Jared Blum**. "Our work educating Congress and policymakers throughout the nation about climate solutions is more important than ever. We know this scholarship will contribute to our success, as it joins our existing **scholarship for future climate leaders at historically-Black colleges and universities**."

Amelia Lindsay-Kaufman is delighted to be the first recipient. She said, "I applied to the Trachtenberg School because I was in the process of transitioning from a career in academic research in the earth sciences to environmental science policy. I was excited about the multidisciplinary curriculum and the fact that the coursework could be customized to focus on a particular specialty. I believe that policy decisions made now and in the near future will be critically important for minimizing environmental devastation, and I am eager to contribute to this work. Financial support, including the fellowship, made pursuing the degree feasible for me, so I am extremely appreciative of being given the opportunity to participate in this excellent program." Lindsay-Kaufman has a degree in geoscience from the University of Missouri where she was recognized as a top researcher and communicator.

"We are grateful for the EESI Graduate Fellowship which will help us attract and develop the type of talent we need in the environmental policy space," said **Trachtenberg School Director Mary Tschirhart**.

"EESI knows the importance of education," said **EESI President Daniel Bresette**. "Education has been foundational to our work for more than 40 years. Future generations will need knowledge and skills to turn climate, energy, and environmental challenges into opportunities for growth and innovation. Thanks to the generosity of our benefactor, our collaboration with George Washington University will ensure that excellent educational opportunities are available to our most promising students in the heart of the nation's capital."

Prospective applicants for future year awards should contact the Trachtenberg School at tsppa@gwu.edu for admissions information and criteria.

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The Environmental and Energy Study Institute (www.eesi.org) is an independent nonprofit advancing science-based solutions for climate change, energy, and environmental challenges. Founded on a bipartisan basis by members of Congress, EESI has been informing policymakers about the benefits of energy efficiency, renewable energy, and environmental conservation since 1984. In 1988, EESI declared that all energy policy must be examined through a climate lens, which has since guided us toward our vision: a sustainable, resilient, and equitable world.

The **Trachtenberg School of Public Policy and Public Administration** is part of the Columbian College of Arts and Sciences of the George Washington University. The Trachtenberg School was recently ranked #16 in public affairs by U.S. News and World Report. Each year, enrolled students receive financial awards totaling over \$1.7 million.

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