

ABIGAIL HUNTER

SKILLS, PRESS & EXTRACURRICULARS

Profiled in Canada's *National Observer* as a Youth Climate Leader – [Link Here](#)

Published in Johns Hopkins *Initiative for Sustainable Energy* – [Link Here](#)

Assistant Vice President, Association for **Women in International Trade (WIIT)**

Co-Founder, **Ladies in Critical Minerals**

Professional Fluency in French

Dual Citizen – U.S. and Canada

EDUCATION

Master in Sustainable Energy (Executive)

Johns Hopkins – School of Advanced International Studies
Sept 2021 – May 2023

- Graduated top of class, one of two students to receive honors distinction.
- Completed four-part capstone on aluminum's clean energy paradox.

Bachelor of Commerce in International Management and Managing for Sustainability

McGill University – Desautels, Faculty of Management
Sept 2012 – June 2016

- Completed double major with concentrations in International Business, Global Governance, Global Conflict and Human Rights.
- Graduated with distinction and Dean's Honor List.

WORK EXPERIENCE

SAFE Center for Critical Minerals Strategy (Minerals Center)

Executive Director | April 2023 – October 2023

- Direct the Minerals Center priorities for research, engagement, and advocacy.
- Represent SAFE in international and domestic platforms, providing expert testimony, comments, and remarks on building high standard critical mineral supply chains amongst the United States and our allies.
- Manage direct reports and coordinate with SAFE leadership to deliver priorities for the Minerals Center.
- Deliver on commitments to partnerships in governments and companies, aligned with SAFE's mission.

Director for International Affairs and Partnerships | April 2023 – October 2023

- Nurtured existing and new SAFE partnerships to advance sustainable and ethical supply chains.
- Co-developed State Department-SAFE MOU, which established the Minerals Investment Network for Vital Energy Security and Transition (MINVEST), with U.S. government partners.
- Delivered SAFE's research and roundtable on "Creating Battery Ecosystems Locally."

Québec Government Office in Washington

Senior Governmental Affairs Attachée | Oct 2020 – April 2023

- Led Québec outreach to the U.S. administration, Congress, and think tanks.
- Liaised between Québec ministries and 17 U.S. federal departments on topics relating to cross-border trade, energy, and economic development.
- Provided regulatory and legislative expertise on U.S. governments at national, state, and local levels.
- Planned and executed trade missions for companies and government representatives to advance Québec commercial engagement in the United States.

National Governors Association (NGA)

International & Strategy Advisor | June 2016 – Aug 2020

- Independently developed NGA international program to support governors in economic development, investment attraction, export promotion, and trade policy.
- Planned, budgeted, and solo-led governors' delegations to Japan, Mexico, Canada, and Australia.
- Initiated and maintained relationships with over 30 trade associations, 40 foreign and domestic embassies, all relevant federal agencies, and dozens of non-governmental organizations.
- Connected governors and staff, through this network, to resources, foreign partners, trade experts, commercial and foreign service officers, and other federal officials immediately upon request.