Global energy consumption is expected to grow 30 to 50 percent over the next generation. Making energy accessible, affordable, reliable, and clean are among today’s most urgent challenges.

Energy problems are not just technical. Solving them requires a holistic, multidimensional approach. This is where Duke University—with its stellar track record in interdisciplinary education and research—excels. Our Energy Initiative brings together world-renowned experts from diverse fields to collaborate on trailblazing research, help business and government leaders make informed energy decisions, and educate tomorrow’s energy innovators.

Duke is committed to tackling the world’s energy challenges. With your support, we can make a profound impact on the future.

“Global energy systems are in a significant state of flux and transition, and technological innovation is moving at rapid speed. Duke’s Energy Initiative is immersed in this landscape—we’re creating solutions that can change the world.”

Richard G. Newell, Duke University Energy Initiative Director
A 360-DEGREE ENERGY EDUCATION

Duke’s interdisciplinary approach to energy education is unparalleled. We offer students more than 50 energy courses within seven undergraduate, professional, and doctoral degree programs. Students also roll up their sleeves and work on energy problems through research, project teams, internships, and other experiences.

You can help build our bench of world-class teachers—the backbone of our Energy Initiative.

Your gift of:

$1.5-2.5 million can established an endowed professorship to help the Initiative strategically expand its faculty.

$25,000 or more in flexible funding can put professors in classrooms and labs now, immediately filling openings while endowed gifts are growing.

RESEARCH THAT CROSSES BOUNDARIES

Duke is known worldwide for research that surpasses boundaries. Faculty from fields as diverse as engineering, neuroscience, and entrepreneurship are collaborating on integrated solutions to energy problems. Collectively, their work focuses on issues relevant to all energy industries.

Your gift of:

$25,000 or more in expendable or endowed funding can provide precious seed funds to jump-start innovative energy research.

$250,000 or more can endow a graduate or postdoctoral fellowship to support the world’s greatest young talent. Fellows make invaluable contributions to research.

ENGAGING THE ENERGY WORLD

Our goal is to make a critical difference in the world, but we cannot do this in a vacuum.

We draw on strong connections in industry, government, and within nongovernmental organizations. These partners support our research, enhance our education programs, and speak at Duke University-sponsored events.

Your gift of:

$25,000 or more, expendable or endowed, can support programs that engage prominent leaders.

Active engagement—as a speaker, mentor, or research partner—is invaluable.