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Jennifer Granholm

U.S. Secretary of Energy
Washington, District of Columbia, United States

Summary

Jennifer M. Granholm was sworn in as the 16th Secretary of Energy on February 25, 2021, becoming just the second woman to lead the U.S. Department of Energy.

Secretary Granholm leads the Department in helping America achieve President Biden's goal of net-zero carbon emissions by 2050 by advancing cutting-edge clean energy technologies, creating millions of good-paying union jobs, and building an equitable clean energy future. Secretary Granholm also oversees DOE's core missions of promoting American leadership in scientific discovery, maintaining the nuclear deterrent and reducing nuclear danger, and remediating the environmental harms caused by legacy defense programs.

Before serving as Secretary, Jennifer Granholm was the first woman Attorney General in the State of Michigan, and Michigan's first woman to serve two terms as Governor. After her time as governor, Secretary Granholm joined the faculty of the University of California, Berkeley as a Distinguished Professor of Practice in the Goldman School of Public Policy, focusing on the intersection of law, clean energy, manufacturing, policy, and industry. She also served as an advisor to the Clean Energy Program of the Pew Charitable Trusts.

Secretary Granholm is an honors graduate of both the University of California, Berkeley, and Harvard Law School. She and her husband, Daniel, have three children.

Experience

U.S. Department of Energy (DOE)
U.S. Secretary of Energy

University of California, Berkeley - School of Law

Distinguished Professor of Practice
2011 - 2021 (10 years)

CITRIS and the Banatao Institute
Senior Research Fellow
2016 - 2020 (4 years)

The Pew Charitable Trusts
Advisor to the Clean Energy Program
2011 - 2013 (2 years)

State of Michigan
12 years
Governor
2003 - 2011 (8 years)

Attorney General
1999 - 2003 (4 years)

Education

Harvard Law School
Doctor of Law - JD · (1984 - 1987)

University of California, Berkeley
Bachelor of Arts - BA, Political Science and Government · (1980 - 1984)