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Scholar Spotlight: Leah Stokes

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When Democratic candidates gathered to debate in 2012 and 2016, there were no direct questions about climate change. This week's scholar spotlight shines on Leah Stokes, who has worked vigorously to ensure that this primary season, environmental policy reaches the debate stage. Alongside commenting on the DNC debates, Leah has done extensive media work in recent months. In addition to penning an [Op-Ed for The Guardian](#), she has also appeared on NPR's [All Things Considered](#), Greentech Media's [The Interchange](#) podcast, and SSN's own [No Jargon](#).

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Stokes researches public policy and environmental politics, with a focus on environmental and energy policies in the United States and Canada. She has examined renewable energy policies at the state and local level and is particularly interested in how these policies are implemented. She has also researched several international environmental negotiations, particularly the recently finalized Minamata Convention on mercury pollution.