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Harvard has tremendous strength in environmental and natural resource economics, with that capability spread across several schools of the University: the Faculty of Arts and Sciences, the Harvard Kennedy School, and the Schools of Public Health, Business, Design, and Law. Our Faculty Fellows have great expertise and international reputations in environmental, energy, and natural resource economics and have held important positions in the President’s Council of Economic Advisors, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, the U.S. Department of the Treasury, the World Bank, the World Health Organization, and the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change.

In recent years, Pre-Doctoral Fellows have gone on to become faculty members at Columbia, Duke, Tufts, New York, and Tsinghua (Beijing) Universities; INSEAD and the University of Michigan; and Amherst, Dartmouth, and Colby Colleges; Fellows at Resources for the Future and Columbia University’s Earth Institute; and hold key positions in government agencies—including the White House and the U.S. Energy Information Administration—and non-governmental organizations, including the Environmental Defense Fund.

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HEEP Director, Robert Stavins (far right) conducts a seminar attended by Faculty Fellows, Pre-Doctoral Fellows, and Mossavar-Rahmani Center for Business & Government colleagues.