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Josh Rosenau Named Deputy Director Of Science Debate

NYACK, New York — [Science Debate](#) is delighted to welcome Josh Rosenau as new Deputy Director. Rosenau joins the Science Debate team as we expand our mission to get candidates running for House, Senate and Gubernatorial seats to address ten science policy issues ranging from mental health to scientific integrity in politics.



"Science has never been more important to America's future, nor have the politics of science ever been more contested," Rosenau says. "We desperately need to hear from our leaders how science informs their policy, and how their values inform their approach to science. Science Debate has shown that there is a way to bring people across the political spectrum into those conversations, and I'm overjoyed to be able to carry on that work."

Rosenau has extensive experience with the intersection of science and politics. As Programs and Policy Director at the National Center for Science Education, he worked with members of Congress, Governors, state policymakers, and grassroots groups across the U.S. to preserve the integrity of science in classrooms. He defused the contentious politics of evolution and climate change, exposed political interference in scientific research and helped teachers and students distinguish scientific controversies from political debates. Trained as a biologist, Rosenau has also conducted a national survey of science teachers' approaches to climate education, and his work has been published in *Science*, *Bulletin of the Atomic Scientists*, *Scientific American*, and *The Washington Post*.

"We are delighted to have Josh join our team," said Science Debate executive director Sheril Kirshenbaum. "His experience organizing and amplifying grassroots voices for science will help Science Debate create new forums for public discussion of science policy. We know he will help tremendously as we continue to grow working to get our leaders talking about science."

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About Science Debate

Science Debate is a national nonpartisan organization founded in 2008 that asks all candidates share their science policy plans before Election Day so that politicians arrive in office prepared to meet the 21st century's greatest challenges.

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