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# CAIRNS WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

# **Happy Monday!**

We you hope you all had a restful weekend! You all should have received an email about your mentor as well as your mentorship groups. Your graduate mentors and alumni mentor group leaders should be reaching out in the coming days - please work to find a time to have an initial meeting. If you did not receive a mentor pair or mentorship group, please email reach out to me (meilin.chan@duke.edu)! Feel free to reach out to me or Nicki (nicolette.cagle@duke.edu) with any questions or concerns about mentor pairings and mentorship groups.

## SAVE THE DATE: November Meeting!

Our November monthly meeting will be on Thursday, November 4 at 7pm (location TBD). The meeting will focus on addressing and handling conflict that may arise in academic or professional settings (particularly conflict associated with diversity and inclusion). Qui'Anne Holmes from DuWell will be leading the meeting with a focus on mindfulness and wellness. Keep an eye out for a Calendar invite, and remember to RSVP with your attendance.

Have feedback or something you would like us to know? You can leave anonymous feedback here!



The Nicholas Institute has a <u>calendar full of events</u> for the upcoming semester! Check out these happening this week:

Advancing an Inclusive and Just U.S. Climate Resilience Strategy

President Joe Biden and Congress have a once-in-a-generation opportunity to address environmental injustice, economic inequality, and climate change while preparing communities for the stresses and shocks of increasingly frequent, catastrophic extreme weather. As Congress negotiates an investment package to support President Biden's Build Back Better plan, this virtual event will explore how the U.S. should move forward with a climate resilience strategy that places racial, economic, and environmental justice at its core and meets the scale of the challenge.

The event will bring together leadership from the Biden-Harris administration and leaders from across the resilience, environmental justice, and climate policy communities to address the administration's whole-of-government approach to driving forward equitable resilience through agency-level actions, investments, planning, and prioritization.

Register Here!

More details about the event here!

Injustice in Managed Retreat as Climate Adaptation - Monday, October 25 at 12:15pm EST

A.R.Siders is an assistant professor in the Disaster Research Center, Biden School of Public Policy and Administration, the University of Delaware.

She is also appointed in department of Geography and Spatial Sciences at the University of Delaware. Her research focuses on climate change adaptation decision-making and evaluation: how and why communities decide when, where, and how to adapt to the effects of climate change and how these decisions and decision-making processes affect risk reduction and equity outcomes. In this talk, she'll explore recent work on managed retreat – the purposeful movement of people and infrastructure away from hazards – as a climate adaptation strategy and the debates that have emerged about the

#### Register here!

## Yale Global Environmental Justice Conference - Friday, October 29

The 2021 Global Environmental Justice Conference at the Yale School of the Environment will focus on a just green recovery. As we emerge from the pandemic into the reality of climate disruption, it is clear that restarting the economy cannot mean a return to the status quo. Instead, leaders in government and policy, NGO's, universities, the private sector, and grassroots coalitions have a pronounced opportunity to rethink how we live. Domestically and internationally, justice will be at the center of investments in the recovery, and this conference will investigate theories of change in energy and food justice. How do we get from the problems we diagnose to the solutions? How do those solutions address the real economic and physical challenges while keeping justice at the center?

Register here!

See the conference schedule here!

# Climate Ethics in the Field - Tuesday, November 9 at 4:30pm EST

The Climate Futures Initiative in Science, Values and Policy (CFI) at Princeton will host the panel discussion, "Climate Ethics 'in the Field' — Integrating Philosophy, Science, Law and Policy," online via Zoom at 4:30 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 9. Register here in advance to receive a meeting link.

This event aims to support collaborative engagement between experts from environmentally related fields and, more specifically, explore how environmental ethics and climate justice can complement other forms of knowledge to inform climate and environmental policy. Panelists are listed below with full bios posted on the High Meadow Environmental Institute (HMEI) website.

- Robert Hockett, the Edward Cornell Professor of Law at Cornell
   University and author of "Financing the Green New Deal: A Plan of Action
   and Renewal"
- Deborah McGregor, Associate Professor and Canada Research Chair in Indigenous Environmental Justice at York University



Need a break from your schoolwork? Check out these sustainability and environment related movies/tv shows/book/podcasts!

- Youth to Power: Your Voice and How to Use It by Jamie Margolin (eBook through Duke Library)
- Lessons from Plants by Beronda Montgomery (eBook through Duke Library)
- Nature Guys (Podcast)
- Rewilding Earth (Podcast)



What is the cohort up to?

Use this space to share your weekly triumphs, promote your student organization events, or anything that you would like to share with the cohort! Just send Meilin an email (meilin.chan@duke.edu) with what you'd like to share.



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