

Human Dimensions of Environment (HDE) Update
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****OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY OPPORTUNITIES/NEWS**

Course Announcements

Autumn 2015 - COMM 2596 Introduction to Health, Environment, Risk, and Science Communication, Wednesdays and Fridays 11:10 – 12:30. For more information [view the flyer](#) or contact: Erik Nisbet, Associate Professor, School of Communication, nisbet.5@osu.edu

Autumn 2015 – RURAL SOCIOLOGY 5500, Diffusion of Innovations and Social Change, Wednesdays 6:00-8:30 pm, Room 104 Kottman Hall, Class Number: 30067 (3 credits) For more information, contact: Professor Linda Lobao, e-mail: lobao.1@osu.edu. This course is designed for upper-level undergraduates and graduate students.

Funding Opportunities

Undergraduate Decision Sciences Grants - Small research grants for undergraduates, up to \$1800 - no deadline -Details and instructions are available at <https://decisionsciences.osu.edu/small-research-grants-undergraduates>

Small Research Grants for Faculty and Graduate Students - Small grants of up to \$3000 are available to support Decision Sciences research at Ohio State. The goal of these competitive grants is to foster new Decision Sciences research activity and collaboration — Details and instructions are available at <https://decisionsciences.osu.edu/small-research-grants-faculty-and-graduate-students>

Environmental Policy Initiative is currently accepting applications for PhD Dissertation Proposal Summer Research Grants. Recipients receive an award of \$4500 for the entire summer. Any doctoral student planning to write a PhD on any aspect of environmental policy, and expecting to take the PhD Candidacy (general) exam by Spring Semester of the next academic year, is eligible to apply. Note that applications from past winners in this competition will not be considered. Up to 3 awards will be offered in summer 2015, starting on June 1, 2015. Details available at <http://aede.osu.edu/research/environmental-policy-initiative/grants>

Conferences/Seminars

The **Office of Energy and Environment and the Center for Automotive Research** have partnered to present the Sustainable Mobility Lecture Series. The April lecture will feature Beth-Anne Schuelke-Leech, Glenn College of Public Affairs, presenting "**Sustainable Mobility and Public Policy**" on **Wednesday, April 22** at 12:00 noon, in Scott Lab, Room E100. Bring your lunch and enjoy this presentation and discussion. Beverages and dessert will be provided. Details [here](#).

Climate Explorations: Ecosystem Stewardship in an Era of Rapid Climate Change on Wednesday, April 22, 2015 - 7:00 p.m. with speaker Dr. Peter Curtis, The Ohio State University professor of plant ecology. Held at the Franklin Park Conservatory, 1777 E. Broad St., Columbus; or individuals can attend via the [web](#). This event is part of the Byrd Polar and Climate Research Center's [Climate Explorations series](#). To view event online, register [here](#).

****WEBINARS**

Building Understanding of Environmental Health - Three part webinar series: March 5, April 7 and May 5

The FrameWorks Institute has recently completed a multi-year, multi-method inquiry into how the American public thinks and talks about environmental health. Sponsored by APHA and generously funded by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, this research reveals effective strategies for talking with the public about environmental health work and the impacts of our environments on public health. APHA has just released an exciting new set of communications tools and resources based on these findings. To introduce the findings' framing strategies, we are hosting a three-part webinar series this spring, conducted by the FrameWorks Institute. Each of these interactive webinars will focus on a different set of framing resources and strategies. Participants will learn about the research base that supports these tools and come away with fresh tips and tools they can build into their communications right away. To learn more and register, visit: http://action.apha.org/site/MessageViewer?dlv_id=58301&em_id=53461.0

****NEWS / FORUMS**

California drought causes cattle and elk to lock horns over pasture – News Daily – April 20, 2105 - <http://newsdaily.com/2015/04/california-drought-causes-cattle-and-elk-to-lock-horns-over-pasture/>

Amazon Dams Keep the Lights On But Could Hurt Fish, Forests – National Geographic – April 19, 2015 - <http://news.nationalgeographic.com/2015/04/150419-amazon-dams-hydroelectric-deforestation-rivers-brazil-peru/>

Poll: 52 Percent of Americans Worried about Climate Change, Yet Few Give the Issue Top Priority – The Weather Channel – April 9, 2015 - <http://www.weather.com/science/environment/news/majority-americans-worried-climate-change>

****JOBS**

Postdoctoral Research Associate: Social Acceptability, Sustainability and Policy Issues in Developing Perennial Biomass Energy Value Chains - The Pennsylvania State University's Department of Agricultural Economics, Sociology and Education – University Park, PA - <https://psu.jobs/job/56968>