

## Human Dimensions of Environment (HDE) Update – [hde.osu.edu](http://hde.osu.edu)

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### \*\*OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY EVENTS/OPPORTUNITIES

#### Events

**Tuesday, May 10, 2016**

**Environmental Professionals Network (EPN)** welcomes John Seryak, PE, CEO and lead engineer for GoSustainable Energy, who will present Energy Efficiency: How Low Can You Go? Even while we pursue green/clean/renewable sources of energy, we also need to remember that end-use-efficiency improvements are among the cheapest, cleanest, surest, most rapidly expandable energy options we have. Registration is open on the [EPN website](#).

**Thursday, May 19, 2016**

#### **Tools for Measuring Sustainability - Professional Development Workshop.**

How does your business measure and account for sustainability?

Join The Ohio State University for a workshop on implementing, measuring and evaluating your company's sustainability efforts. The workshop is designed to facilitate collaboration between sustainability professionals. Our goal is to introduce businesses to several emerging sustainability tools, including ecosystem services, materiality assessment and life-cycle assessment.

The cost to attend is \$40, which includes all workshop materials and lunch. To learn more about the agenda and speakers and to register, visit

<http://aede.osu.edu/programs/environmental-policy-initiative/tools-measuring-sustainability-workshop>

**Registration Open for 2016 Ohio Environmental Leaders Institute** - The Ohio Environmental Leaders Institute provides environmental and natural resources professionals with the skills needed to better address the many complex environmental issues facing our state. This annual, cohort based program welcomes participants from diverse perspectives in the private, public, non-profit sectors, as well as those with volunteer leadership experience.

The Ohio Environmental Leaders Institute offers a core track of environmental education, collaboration and conflict resolution skills and leadership development strategies through inter-active presentations, discussions and networking opportunities. Program faculty includes practitioners, policy makers, researchers, and OSU faculty.

**View Schedule and [Register](#)** for 2016 Ohio Environmental Leaders Institute program!

*First session of Institute is June 6-7, 2016*

## **Funding**

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

**Small Research Grants for Faculty and Graduate Students – Next Deadline is October 15, 2016** 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://decisionssciences.osu.edu/small-research-grants-faculty-and-graduate-students>

**Institute for Population Research Seed Grants, Funding Opportunity.** The Institute for Population Research (IPR) at Ohio State offers seed grants to nurture research projects consistent with IPR's mission to promote population science research. IPR favors multidisciplinary collaboration and encourages applications from junior faculty and from faculty new to population and health research. Grants are offered for small and focused projects (\$15,000-\$30,000), and large multi-investigator projects (\$75,000 maximum). **Deadline: May 31, 2016.**

## **\*\*TRAINING**

**Anew online certificate program in Sustainability and Behavior Change through the University of California, San Diego (UCSD).** The first course in this sequence is Conservation Psychology, which will be offered as a 9-week session beginning June 28, 2016. This summer course will be team-taught by Wesley Schultz and Kayla Cranston. Discounts are available for organizations with five or more participants.

**The Specialized Certificate in Sustainability and Behavior Change** provides unique and advanced educational training in conservation psychology, and behavior change strategies and community engagement tools that are designed to produce results. The certificate is comprised of four courses, all of which are available online:

Conservation Psychology (Summer, 2016)  
Community Engagement (Fall)  
Behavior Change Strategies for Sustainability (Winter)  
Behavior Change Capstone Project (Spring)

**Enrollment link:**

<http://extension.ucsd.edu/studyarea/index.cfm?vAction=singleCourse&vCourse=ENVR-40000>

**Graduate Student Workshop on Socio-Environmental Synthesis: Interdisciplinary Proposal Writing and Collaboration (Summer 2016) – Application deadline: May 8, 2016**

**Workshop Dates:** June 13-15, 2016 in Annapolis, Maryland

**Workshop Overview:** SESYNC is excited to announce that applications are now being accepted for the third Graduate Student Workshop on Socio-Environmental Synthesis. As part of the highly interactive workshop, participants will engage with noted scholars and experts in talks, sessions, and activities centering on socio-environmental synthesis, decision-making and actionable outcomes, interdisciplinary collaboration and team science, and scientific proposal writing. Participants will also undergo extensive preparation for SESYNC's next round of Graduate Pursuit projects.

<http://www.sesync.org/opportunities/research-education-workshops/graduate-student-workshop-on-socio-environmental>

## **\*\*NEWS**

[This disease has killed a million trees in California, and scientists say it's basically unstoppable](#)  
– *The Washington Post* – May 2, 2016

[Wildfires, Once Confined to a Season, Burn Earlier and Longer](#) - *The New York Times* – April 12, 2016

## **\*\* JOBS**

**California Center for Sustainable Communities at UCLA** is seeking an experienced **documentarian / ethnographer** with a background in environmental and sustainability issues for a 20-month project starting mid-June 2016.

<http://ccsc.environment.ucla.edu/2016/04/ccsc-hiring/>

The **University of Denver's Interdisciplinary Research Incubator for the Study of (In)Equality (IRISE)** is seeking **5 Postdoctoral Fellows** with a preferred start date of September 1, 2016.

During this time, IRISE is aligning its work with DU IMPACT 2025 in order to develop knowledge bridges—structures to link and integrate various parts of our academic programs—to address complex problems and issues in depth and produce multidisciplinary educational opportunities for students.

IRISE Postdoctoral Fellows will work on conducting research in an interdisciplinary area of knowledge in conjunction with a team of faculty.

While research is the central responsibility, fellows will have the opportunity to design and teach courses in related areas.

Fellows will be sought for their expertise and interest in building a knowledge bridge in one of the following areas related to IRISE's stated goal to develop cutting edge interdisciplinary research on issues of inequality, social justice, and inclusivity:

[Race, Inequality, Social Change and Policy](#)

[Interdisciplinary Indigenous Studies](#)

[Equity, Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Math \(“ESTEAM”\)](#)

Health (In)equity

Environmental Justice and Sustainability

Applications are currently open! Priority will be given to those who apply before May 9, 2016.