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Nominations for Section Awards

by Lori Peek, Colorado State University
and ETS Section Chair

The Section on Environment & Technology Fred Buttel Distinguished Contribution Award

The Fred Buttel Distinguished Contribution Award is to recognize individuals for outstanding service, innovation, and/or publication in environmental sociology or sociology of technology. It is intended to be an expression of appreciation, to be awarded when an individual is deemed extraordinarily meritorious by the Section. All members of the ASA and the ETS Section are invited to submit nominations for the award, together with supporting documentation. Nominations for this award must be received by March 1, 2015.

To nominate an individual for this award, please send a letter of nomination describing the nominee's contribution to environmental sociology and/or the sociology of technology, accompanied by a copy of the nominee's CV, to the chair of the award committee, Richard York, at rfyork@uoregon.edu.

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The Section on Environment & Technology Marvin E. Olsen Student Paper Award

The Marvin E. Olsen Student Paper Award recognizes outstanding papers presented by graduate students at the annual American Sociological Association meetings. In addition to recognition, recipients will receive a modest monetary award to help defray expenses associated with attending the ASA meetings. Nominees are limited to graduate students who are giving presentations at the year's annual meetings. (The paper can be presented at any session or roundtable at ASA). All members of the ASA and the ETS Section are invited to submit nominations for the award, together with supporting documentation. The deadline for submitting papers is March 1, 2015.

For more information, contact Rachael Shwom-Evelich, the chair of the award committee, at shwomrac@rci.rutgers.edu.

The Section on Environment & Technology Allan Schnaiberg Outstanding Publication Award

The Allan Schnaiberg Outstanding Publication Award is given in alternate years for publications of special noteworthiness in the field of environmental sociology. It is given in alternate years for either (a) a book in even years or (b) an article in odd years. This year the committee will consider articles published within the period, January 1, 2012, through December 31, 2014. All members of the ASA and the ETS Section are encouraged to submit nominations; self-nominations are welcome.

To nominate an article, please send a PDF copy along with a nomination letter by March 1, 2015 to Rachael Shwom-Evelich at shwomrac@rci.rutgers.edu.

The Section on Environment & Technology Robert Boguslaw Award for Technology and Humanism

The Robert Boguslaw Award for Technology and Humanism is conferred bi-yearly to a doctoral student or other young investigator who has obtained a Ph.D. in the past five years. The purpose of the award is to recognize work that investigates the relationship between technology and humanism or otherwise proposes innovative solutions to emerging social issues associated with technology. Unpublished papers or articles published within the period January 1, 2013, through December 31, 2014, are eligible. All members of the ASA and ETS Section are encouraged to submit nominations; self-nominations are welcome.

To submit a nomination, please send the article and a nomination letter by March 1, 2015 to Kenneth Gould at kgould@brooklyn.cuny.edu.

The Section on Environment & Technology Practice and Outreach Award

The biennial Environmental Sociology Practice and Outreach Award, which is given in odd years, honors faculty members and other professional practitioners in the field of Environmental Sociology. The award recognizes the outstanding practice and outreach contributions of professionals not only in college and university positions, but also positions in journalism, government, service agencies, private sector environmental organizations, and non-profit environmental organizations. All members of the ASA and Section members are encouraged to submit nominations; self-nominations are welcome. Note that the Practice and Outreach Award is not necessarily a "lifetime achievement" award, so people with innovative projects/programs should consider submitting a nomination packet.

Nomination packets should be scanned into a single PDF and submitted via email to Shannon Bell at shannon.eliz.bell@uky.edu by March 1, 2015.

Nomination packets should include the following:

1. Letter of Nomination (If self-nomination, this should include description of the service project/program and should be limited to a maximum of 4 pages)
2. Description of practice/outreach project/program (3 pages maximum, included ONLY if this is not a self-nomination)
3. CV (with practice/outreach projects/programs highlighted, including related publications)
4. Maximum of 5 letters of support (any mix of students, colleagues, community partners, including letter of nomination if not self-nominated).

PLEASE NOTE THAT ALL NOMINEES MUST BE REGISTERED MEMBERS OF THE ASA TO BE CONSIDERED FOR SECTION AWARDS.

In Memoriam: Bob Gramling

Robert (Bob) Gramling, Professor Emeritus of Sociology at UL-Lafayette, died unexpectedly on November 7 at the Regional Medical Center of Acadiana. He was 71. Bob spent his entire academic career at UL Lafayette after moving to south Louisiana from Jacksonville, Florida in 1975. Bob was highly respected for the contributions he made to the

thousands of students to whom he taught introductory sociology and other sociology courses. Equally important were the contributions he made to the study of environmental, energy and disaster dynamics and policy in coastal Louisiana through the research he published throughout those years. His love for the coastal marshes of south Louisiana, expertise in social impact assessment, and uncompromising dedication to scholarship are evident in his many publications and books, including "Oil on the Edge" (1996), "Catastrophe in the Making" (2009, with William Freudenburg, Shirley Laska and Kai Erikson), and "Blowout in the Gulf" (2011, with William Freudenburg).

Bob was an important mentor to many students and young faculty who themselves have also made significant contributions to important research and teaching in environmental sociology. Last year, in recognition of his ongoing research, he was named a fellow of the Center for Louisiana Studies.

Bob was a giant in the field of environmental sociology and in the hearts of his friends and colleagues. He was generous, patient, warm, insightful, helpful and wise. There are many who owe to Bob much of the success they have had in their careers and indeed in their private lives. Bob must be credited for much of the progress of the sociology department at the University of Louisiana, Lafayette, having nurtured its growth from a teaching unit to a research powerhouse within the College of Liberal Arts. Bob's grants and the Center for Socioeconomic Research, which he established, largely financed the transformation of the department from one mainframe terminal to a department with state-of-the-art technology in every office.

Among his many heroic feats, his colleagues remember that he literally prevented the roof of Mouton Hall from falling in on the department by climbing a ladder in the attic and stepping onto the roof and wading through a foot of water to clear the leaves from the grate which were preventing drainage and causing the roof to fill with water during rainstorms. There was seemingly nothing that Bob would not do to benefit his colleagues, his department, his college, and his University.

It is with unusually great sadness that we mark his passing from our lives.

Bob is survived by his wife Eileen Daly of Lafayette, his sister Mary Baine Spooner, and her husband Hub of West Palm Beach Gardens, and his sister-in-law Patricia Alford Gramling of Tallahassee. He leaves

behind two nieces, Kathryn Anne Chandler and husband Donald, Mary Gramling and her partner Michelle Kinard; and two nephews; Robert Hub Sponner and wife Tiffany, James Gramling, Jr. and his wife Melissa, and his great nieces Valerie Anne Chandler, Camryn Grace Chandler, Juliana Justice Spooner, and Ava Grace Gramling

Bob was preceded in death by his parents, Robert Burke Gramling and Anne Gilchrist Gramling, and his brother Robert Burke Gramling.

Memorial Service will be held at Martin & Castille on St. Landry Street. Visitation will be Sunday from 4:00 to 7:00, and Monday from 1:00 to 3:00. A memorial service will be held at 3:00.

Endowed Scholarship Fund for Bob Gramling

Dear Friends of Bob Gramling,

I am sending this out to all those who sent condolences about the recent loss of our friend and colleague, Bob Gramling and asking that you forward this to anyone you think might help. We want to set up an endowed scholarship or chair in Bob's name.

I have been in contact with the University of Louisiana Foundation and been told to have people either send checks to:

UL, Lafayette Foundation
P.O. Box 44290
Lafayette, LA, 70504-04290

Add the words "Bob Gramling Memorial Fund" in the memo line.

Or go online to: www.ullafayettefoundation.org, choose "Make a Gift" (at the top) choose "College of Liberal Arts" from the list and fill out the form. At the end of the form is a "Gift Details" blank into which we should type, "Bob Gramling Memorial Fund".

If there are any problems doing this, Jill, at the foundation (337.482.0700) can help.

At some point, when we have accumulated over \$10,000, an endowed fund is established and the interest used for scholarships (or perhaps an endowed chair). If we don't make that level in the fund, we will use up the principal in service to the departmental mission of the Department of Sociology, Anthropology and Child and Family Studies, University of Louisiana at Lafayette, where Bob spent his entire career, but may also consider a portrait (print) of Bob to be displayed in our halls.

Thank you,
George Wooddell

In Memoriam: William Catton, Jr.

Bill Catton passed away unexpectedly on January 5th, while he and his wife Nancy were in New Zealand attending the wedding of his grandson. Born on January 15, 1926, Bill was just shy of 89 years of age when he passed.

Many people in our section knew Bill personally and have benefitted from his collegial wisdom, mentoring, and support. Others are familiar with his pioneering intellectual contributions, especially "A New Ecological Paradigm for Post-Exuberant Sociology" (which he authored with Riley Dunlap) and *Overshoot: The Ecological Basis of Revolutionary Change* (both published in 1980).

Our Spring Newsletter will contain a fuller account of Bill Catton's life and contributions, penned by those who knew him well. In the meantime, I did not want to let the moment pass without acknowledging him.

Please join me in offering condolences to Bill's wife of 65 years, Nancy Lewis Catton, as well as his sister Ruth Willard Catton, his four sons, Stephen, Philip, Theodore, and Jonathan, his grandchildren Felicity, William, Walter, Eleanor, Benjamin and Eli, and his great grandchildren Sebastian and Alexander.

Conferences, Calls for Papers and Program Advertisements

Urban Environmental Stewardship Conference

April 17, 2015
University of Maryland
<http://www.cse.umd.edu/upcoming-events.html>

THEORETICAL PERSPECTIVES ON URBAN ENVIRONMENTAL STEWARDSHIP:
Dr. Henrik Ernstson, Stanford University
Dr. Harvey Molotch, New York University
Dr. Dorceta Taylor, University of Michigan

INNOVATIONS IN URBAN STEWARDSHIP:
Dr. James Connolly, Northeastern University
Dr. Debra Davidson, University of Alberta
Dr. Mimi Sheller, Drexel University

MAPPING URBAN STEWARDSHIP ACROSS SPACE AND PLACE:
Dr. Nathalie Blanc, Laboratoire Dynamiques Sociales et Recomposition des Espaces
Dr. Dana R. Fisher, University of Maryland

Dr. Erika Svendsen, USDA Forest Service
Dr. Keith B. Tidball, Cornell University

Proposals are being accepted for the Urban Environmental Stewardship Conference At UMD Poster Session (DEADLINE: 15 January 2015) Research on environmental stewardship has paid greater and greater attention to the relationships among the social, built and natural environment of cities. This relationship has been studied from multiple perspectives. The conference seeks to enhance our understanding of urban environmental stewardship across disciplinary boundaries and from all methodological perspectives. Topics can include, but are not limited to: urban gardening and agriculture; urban greening; governance processes (organizations, institutions, and groups) that mobilize around urban environmental stewardship; and social and/or ecological impacts of the urban/natural environment interaction. The poster format is a particularly effective way to present research findings and is perfect way to network with colleagues. The poster session will take place during the conference reception so conference attendees and speakers can view poster displays while participating in the reception. We are looking for posters that can succinctly communicate novel, relevant findings and implications to an interdisciplinary audience interested in environmental stewardship in cities or across the rural-urban gradient.

To apply for this poster session, please send a project title and abstract that includes information about the findings and implications of the work (no more than 300 words) to stewardshipconference@gmail.com. For more details about the conference, see <http://www.cse.umd.edu/upcoming-events.html>.

2015 Biennial Conference of the European Sociological Association's (ESA) Network RN12 - Environment and Society (ENVIROSOC's sister network) in Prague

The theme of the 12th conference of the European Sociological Association (ESA) is "Differences, Inequalities and Sociological Imagination." In accordance with this theme, RN12 will critically focus on the environmental dimensions of contemporary inequalities and justice issues as well as the sociological imagination to fathom new ways of conceptualizing human development in the natural environment. Our sociological focus will be on areas as diverse as water management, social movements, renewable energies, human-animal relations, air and soil pollution, environmental risks, the role of science

and technology in environmental innovation, and vulnerability to natural and technological disasters. We aim to explore issues of environment and society from diverse theoretical, methodological and empirical points of view keeping an eye on practice orientation of sociological research.

We invite you submit abstracts to the session themes listed below. Topics addressed in the RN 12 sessions include, but are not restricted to, those listed below:

- 01RN12 Social Theory and the Environment
- 02RN12 Sociology and Climate Change
- 03RN12 Natural Disasters, Resilience, and Vulnerability
- 04RN12 Renewable and Non-renewable Energies
- 05RN12 Social, Environmental, and Financial Pillars of Sustainability
- 06RN12 (Un-) Sustainable Consumption
- 07RN12 Risk, Rationality and Environmental Decision Making
- 08RN12 Local and Global Food Chains
- 09RN12 Environmental Communication, Values, and Attitudes
- 10RN12 Participation, Citizenship and Environmental Democracy
- 11RN12 Science, Technology, and Environmental Innovation
- 12RN12 Biodiversity and Nature Conservation
- 13RN12 Energy Transitions and Sociological Theory
- 14RN12 Governance and Management of Water
- 15RN12 Environmental Justice
- 16RN12 New Trends in Environmental Movements Research
- 17RN12 Urban Structures and Environmental Change
- 18RN12 Transition Theory and Environmental Reform
- 19RN12 Human-Animal Studies and Environmental Sociology
- 20RN12 Corporate Social Responsibility and the Circular Economy
- 21RN12 Environment & Society (open session for new trends in environment and society research not covered in the topics above)

We are open for additional topics as long as they can be accommodated in the conference schedule. Authors from outside of Europe are especially welcome to submit abstracts and participate in the sessions. The language of the abstract should be English. Acceptance of the abstract will be based on the following criteria:

- Does the abstract indicate that the paper will make an original, understandable, and meaningful contribution to environment and society debates?

- If the paper presents new empirical material it must be clear from the abstract upon which research any of the conclusions for environment and society debates are based.
- If the paper mainly presents new theoretical considerations it must be clear from the abstract which existing theories and concepts the paper is in discussion with, and which new insights will be added to the debates.

Notes for authors

Authors are invited to submit their abstract either to the general session or any specific session. Please submit only to one session. After abstract evaluation, coordinators will have the chance to transfer papers between sessions where applicable.

Abstracts should not exceed 250 words. Each paper session will have the duration of 1.5 hours. Normally sessions will include 4 papers.

Abstracts must be submitted online to the submission platform, see below. Abstracts sent by email cannot be accepted. Abstracts will be peer-reviewed and selected for presentation by the Research Network; the letter of notification will be sent by the conference software system in early April 2015.

Abstract submission deadline: 1st February 2015

Submission platform: www.esa12thconference.eu

If you have further questions on the conference, please visit the conference website. For further information on the Research Network, please visit www.europeansociology.org

<http://esa12thconference.eu/rn12-environment-and-society>

Save the date:

Association for Environmental Studies and Sciences (AESS) 2015 Conference

When & Where: June 24-27th in San Diego, California
Theme: Confronting Frontiers, Borders, & Boundaries
Host: University of California at San Diego

Awards will include: The 2015 AESS **William R. Freudenburg** Lifetime Achievement Award and there will be awards at the conference for both best undergraduate and graduate student presentations. Visit www.aess.info for conference updates.

Call for submissions – Work in Progress blog

The Work in Progress blog, of the Organizations, Occupations and Work section of the ASA, invites submissions (800-1,200 words) on all topics related to organizations, occupations and work, broadly understood. The primary purpose of the blog is to disseminate sociological findings and ideas to the general public. Articles should be accessible and jargon-free, written like a New York Times op-ed. We currently get over 3,000 views per month and are followed on social media by journalists from the New York Times, Washington Post, NPR, BBC and other outlets.

We will publish summaries by authors of all monographs related to organizations, occupations and work. Additionally, we invite proposals for three types of article: research findings (from your own study or summarizing the findings of others), news analysis, commentary. Interested authors should send a proposed title and topic (one paragraph maximum) to Matt Vidal (matt.vidal@kcl.ac.uk). The WIP Editorial Team will decide whether to invite a full submission.

Workshop Announcement:

Climate, Climate, Migration & Health: Connections through Natural Disasters and Displacement

Site: University of Colorado Population Center
Boulder, Colorado
Date: April 9-10, 2015

With support from the Eunice Kennedy Shriver National Institute of Child Health & Human Development, the Institute of Behavioral Science and University of Colorado Population Center are hosting the 1st annual workshop on Climate, Migration and Health. This year's sub-theme is natural disasters and displacement.

The two-day workshop, held in Boulder, Colorado, will bring together 10 researchers and 2 policy communicators to showcase innovative research on natural disasters, displacement and health, as well as to identify gaps and develop collaborations.

Researchers from social and natural sciences are encouraged to apply. Funds are available for partial reimbursement for domestic travel and lodging. Applicants must be post-PhD and we aim for an interdisciplinary mix of junior and senior scholars. To be considered for this workshop, please send a CV and a complete paper, working draft, or an extended

abstract (including data description, methods, and preliminary results) by January 9th, 2015. Decisions will be made by January 23rd.

Please address questions to
Lori.Hunter@colorado.edu
Please submit papers to
Cheryl.Graham@colorado.edu

Publications

Call for Applications for Editor of Children, Youth and Environments



The current editors are soliciting candidates for editor (or co-editors) of the journal *Children, Youth and Environments*. The new editor will assume the position of editor-designate in the summer of 2015 and during the transition will begin working with the current editors Willem van Vliet, Louise Chawla and Fahriye Sancar to become familiar with journal operations and procedures. The editor-designate will assume lead responsibility for the journal beginning in the Spring of 2016, commencing with Volume 26.

The position of editor/co-editor is a volunteer position, with journal funds available to pay for a Managing Editor, copy editor, and other technical assistance. Requirements for editor/co-editor include having a Ph.D. in a field related to children's environments, some editing and publishing experience, and familiarity with the *Children, Youth and Environments* journal. Please, direct questions about this position to the journal's lead editor, Dr. Willem van Vliet (phone 303-492-5015; email: willem@colorado.edu).

Candidates should submit a copy of their vita, a 1-2 page statement about their vision for the journal, their relevant editorial and/or publishing experience, and information about any institutional support available for the journal at their institution. One full set of application materials should be sent to Dr. van Vliet at willem@colorado.edu. Review of applications will begin on **March 1, 2015**. The current editors will review applications, and in consultation with the Associate Editors, make a final decision regarding candidate selection.

Readers of *Children, Youth and Environments* represent a range of fields including education, architecture, landscape architecture, urban planning and design, and nonprofit and government agencies in child advocacy and international development. The journal publishes papers on a broad range of topics and approaches,

including quantitative and qualitative empirical research, theoretical, methodological and historical investigations, critical literature reviews, design analyses, post-occupancy evaluations, policy studies, and program assessments. It uses a double-blind peer review process.

Through its publication platform, JSTOR, more than 1,700 libraries worldwide subscribe, in addition to individual subscribers. Readers in more than 100 countries request over 35,000 full text papers a year. The Editorial Advisory Board includes global leaders in the field of child, youth and environment research and practice.

Publications

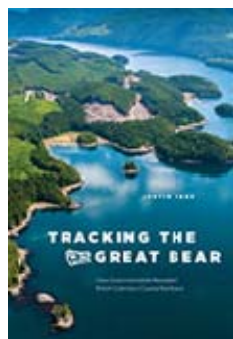
Books

Tracking the Great Bear: How Environmentalists Recreated British Columbia's Coastal Rainforest

Justin Page

UBC Press (2014)

http://www.ubcpres.ca/search/title_book.asp?BookID=299174297



Tracking the Great Bear traces environmentalists' efforts to save the area from status quo industrial forestry, while at the same time respecting First Nations' right to economic development. Adopting a novel theoretical approach from science and technology studies, the book explains environmentalists' (contested) success as a result of their deployment of a powerful

actor-network within British Columbia's land-use decision-making process.

This book makes a significant contribution to social scientific analyses of natural resource management. Bridging the gap between interpretivist and social structural analyses, it demonstrates how the Great Bear Rainforest was created – or, rather, recreated – out of uncertain and contested links among an improbable assemblage of actors and elements.

“Superbly researched, theoretically sophisticated, accessible, and immensely entertaining. You cannot ask for anything more from a book. Tracking the Great Bear tells a nuanced story about human-nonhuman assemblages in the constituting of the Great Bear Rainforest. It also offers one of the most lucid applications of actor-network theory that I have come

across in quite some time.” - Michael S. Carolan, Professor of Sociology, Colorado State University

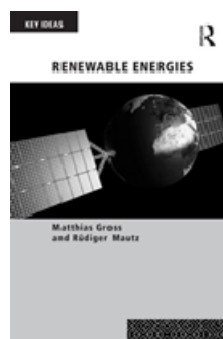
The paperback has not yet been released to the general public, but is available for course use and may be ordered at UBC Press.

Renewable Energies

Matthias Gross, Rüdiger Mautz

Routledge (2014; Softcover 2015)

<http://www.routledge.com/books/details/9780415858618>



Renewable Energy normally refers to usable energy sources that are an alternative to fuel sources, but without the negative consequences of the replaced fuels. Although energy issues have a long tradition in sociology and other social sciences, it may now be high time to conceptualize these in sociological terms as the lynchpin in our understanding of the way societies are set to develop in the 21st century.

'The ongoing transition to renewable energy sources is much more than a substitution of fossil fuels by alternative energy carriers. The great merit of this book is to shed light on the interdependency of new forms of energy with profound changes in our societies and to show that social sciences are essential for understanding this challenge.' - Harald Rohrer, Professor of Technology & Social Change, Linköping University

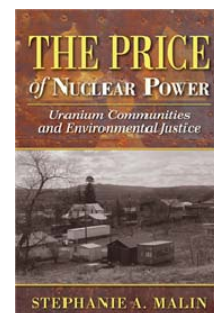
The Price of Nuclear Power: Uranium Communities and Environmental Justice

Stephanie Malin

Rutgers Press (2013)

<http://rutgerspress.rutgers.edu/product/Price-of-Nuclear-Power,5465.aspx>

In the midst of increasing concern over global climate change, politicians, policymakers, and communities are turning to a more inclusive approach to energy policy, examining technologies that had been in only limited use in the United States. As a result, in anticipation of a renewed drive for nuclear energy, a handful of multinational corporations have begun to reinvest in the uranium-mining industry. This nuclear renaissance has revived uranium production even in communities where previous booms have left unaddressed radioactive legacies, including high rates of cancers, respiratory ailments, and reproductive disorders. In The Price

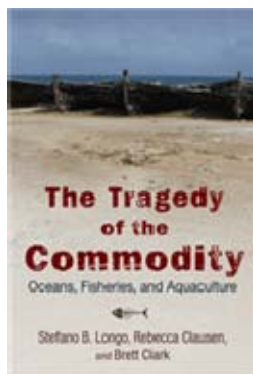


of Nuclear Power, Stephanie Malin uncovers the fundamental paradox of renewed uranium development – that the people and communities most dislocated by uranium's legacies contend with its renewal most intimately, and many of them are constrained by historical and economic circumstances to support industry renewal. She points to structural violence as the essential cause: historical and economic circumstances restrict opportunities for development in uranium communities, define activism, and even help normalize environmental degradation. These same communities are even further limited as they contend with geographic isolation and persistent poverty. Uranium communities find themselves caught between the nuclear legacy of pollution and health problems, and the promise of economic development. This book explores the legacies of both historical and present energy development; analyzes environmental health and economic justice; and portrays the geo-graphic isolation of persistently impoverished rural communities embedded in global energy markets.

The Tragedy of the Commodity: Oceans, Fisheries, and Aquaculture

Stefano Longo, Rebecca Clausen, and Brett Clark
Rutgers Press (2013)

<http://rutgerspress.rutgers.edu/product/Tragedy-of-the-Commodity,5545.aspx>



Although humans have long depended on oceans for sustenance and trade, only recently has human influence on such resources dramatically increased, transforming and undermining aquatic environments throughout the world. Overfishing in the twentieth century resulted in the collapse of fish stocks, while consumption of seafood continued to climb. In *The Tragedy of the Commodity:*

Oceans, Fisheries, and Aquaculture, Stefano B. Longo, Rebecca J. Clausen, and Brett Clark employ a new interpretive construct, the “tragedy of the commodity,” to explore the role of human agency in aquatic resource depletion. The authors argue that it is specifically the commodification of these resources that leads rapidly to depletion of fisheries and the development of environmentally suspect means of aquaculture. Using key case studies of tuna and salmon fisheries as well as tilapia aquaculture, Longo, Clausen, and Clark explain how new fishing technologies, transformations in ships and storage capacities, and the expansion of seafood markets combined to alter radically and permanently these crucial ecosystems. In doing so, they reveal how the particular organization of social production can contribute to ecological degradation and an increase in the pressures placed upon the ocean.

This is Our Land: Grassroots Environmentalism in the Late Twentieth Century

Cody Ferguson
Rutgers (2013)

<http://rutgerspress.rutgers.edu/product/This-Is-Our-Land,5544.aspx>



In *This is Our Land*, Cody Ferguson demonstrates how everyday activists from rural and urban working and middle-class backgrounds in Montana, Arizona, and Tennessee understood environmental issues in terms of justice and democracy. These citizen activists, he shows, sought fundamentally democratic solutions to what are practically understood as scientific

problems. Although much of their immediate concern was about solving specific environmental harms, they were nearly as concerned about how they accomplished their goals as whether or not they were successful. In their strategies, Ferguson says, they favored tactics that emphasized democratic decision making and ensuring that average citizens had a say in the choices that affected their lives and livelihoods. The activists and their tactics changed in relation to the changing social, political, and economic landscapes of the late twentieth century to address the threats of coal strip mining in the Great Plains, water and air pollution in the urban southwest, and toxic landfills in Appalachia. *This is Our Land* provides examples that bridge the gap between traditional narratives of mainstream environmentalism and community-based environmental justice movements. The book serves as a social history of grassroots activists and the environmental movement during the last decades of the twentieth century but also as a resource for activists and researchers attempting to solve our planet's most pressing environmental problems.

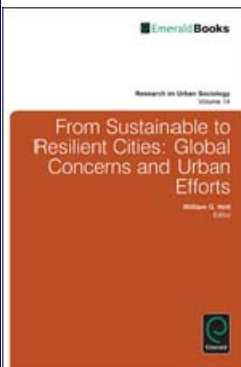
From Sustainable to Resilient Cities: Global Concerns and Urban Efforts

Research in Urban Sociology, Volume 14

Edited by William G. Holt, Urban Environmental Studies Program, Birmingham-Southern College

The United Nations Brundtland Report defines sustainable development as one “that meets the needs of the present without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs.” Embedded in this concept of sustainable development are the needs of the world’s poor as well as the limits of environmental technology and social organizations to meet these needs. Urban centers, home to the majority of world’s population, are hubs of

sustainability innovations. However, there are major differences among how these sustainability issues are addressed in the Global North and South. Increasingly, urban areas are moving from sustainability to resilience in dealing with environmental issues.



This edited volume addresses sustainability efforts in cities and metropolitan regions around the world. The edition explores sustainable development across four key parts:

environmental sustainability, economic sustainability, socio-political sustainability, and cultural sustainability.

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Children, Youth and Environments 2014 (volume 24, number 3)

Children, Youth and Environments has just published a new issue, now available on:
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It contains a special section on Greening Early Childhood Education, which continues the 2014 (number 2) special issue on this theme, and additional papers on environmental health, sense of place, and neighborhood perceptions. It also includes field reports with lessons from practice and book reviews

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Donovon K. Ceaser

Donovon K. Ceaser, Ph.D. in Sociology from Richard Stockton College of New Jersey, has accepted a permanent position as Assistant Professor of Sociology at Richard Stockton College of New Jersey. Congratulations Ceasar!

Lori Peek

Associate Professor of Sociology at Colorado State University, Co-Director of the Center for Disaster and Risk Analysis (CDRA), and Section Chair for the ASA's Section on Environment, Technology, and Society (that's us!), has taken on an additional responsibility. She has just been elected President of the International Sociological Association Research Committee on Disasters (RC39) for 2014-18. Congratulations
Lori!

