



## SESYNC Feedbacks

News from the National Socio-Environmental Synthesis Center

### Short Course: Teaching Socio-Environmental Synthesis with Case Studies

SESYNC invites participants for a four-day short course on Teaching Socio-Environmental Synthesis with Case Studies. The course will be held July 28-31, 2015, at SESYNC in Annapolis, Maryland.

The goals of the short course are to:

- Introduce participants to socio-environmental (S-E) synthesis as a problem-solving approach.
- Engage participants in advancing the teaching of S-E synthesis and related concepts and competencies.
- Enable participants to use a powerful and effective teaching approach, the case study method, to teach S-E synthesis.
- Support participants in developing their own case study classroom activity that can be used in their classrooms and shared on the SESYNC website.

[Find complete details here.](#) Deadline for applications is Monday, March 23, 2015, at 5 pm Eastern Daylight Time (EDT).



## Spring Seminar Series

Each semester, SESYNC invites guest speakers to deliver seminars on a range of topics relevant to socio-environmental synthesis.

[Our next speaker, Dr. Julie Silva of the University of Maryland,](#)

investigates the regional effects of globalization on poverty, inequality, and social exclusion in both advanced and developing countries. Join us in Annapolis on Tuesday, March 10!

[Find our complete seminar schedule here.](#)



## Of Glaciers & Cities

New research from SESYNC postdoc Kristina Hopkins cautions against judging a city - or more specifically, its stream flow - by just its streets.

Hopkins and colleagues show that the hydrologic impacts of urbanization vary depending on setting. The secret? A city's glacial past may provide it with physical characteristics that can buffer against some of the negative impacts associated with urbanization.

[Learn more here.](#)



## Coastal Communities at Risk

The first nationwide vulnerability assessment for ocean acidification, published just last week in *Nature Climate Change*, shows that coastal communities that depend on the nation's \$1 billion shelled mollusk industry are at long-term economic risk from ocean acidification. The assessment, supported by SESYNC, illustrates that vulnerable communities are more widespread than previously believed.

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