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.*

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**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.*

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**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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