

9th Annual Duck Family Graduate Workshop on Environmental Politics and Governance

May 10-12, 2023
University of Washington



Dear Colleagues:

Welcome to the 9th Annual Duck Family Graduate Workshop on Environmental Politics and Governance organized by the Center for Environmental Politics at University of Washington. We are delighted to host an impressive multi-disciplinary gathering of graduate students working on environmental policy, politics, and governance issues.

The Center's vision is to play a leadership role in producing and disseminating state of the art empirical research on environmental politics, policy, and governance at local, regional, national, and global levels. The Center's 40 Faculty Associates are leaders in their fields, 26 Graduate Fellows are working on exciting doctoral projects, and 20 undergraduate fellows are engaged in independent research. Within the University of Washington, we facilitate faculty and graduate students to build connections, establish networks, and initiate truly multidisciplinary conversations about the governance, political, and institutional dimensions of environmental challenges. Externally, we are at the forefront of creating and nurturing a community of scholars committed to theoretically informed and empirically rigorous research on environmental politics, policy, and governance.

This workshop reflects the vision of Gary and Susan Duck to create a vibrant intellectual community of emerging scholars studying environmental issues. Susan Duck is not with us anymore. Yet, her spirit and commitment to learning continues to inspire us.

Aseem Prakash

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Professor, Department of Political Science
Walker Family Professor for the College of Arts & Sciences
Founding Director, Center for Environmental Politics
University of Washington, Seattle



This 2023 Graduate Workshop on Environmental Politics and Governance has been made possible by the support of Gary and Susan Duck.

Susan Duck came to University of Washington from the Los Angeles area to attend graduate school in the School of Social Work. While there she was introduced to Gary through mutual friends. They settled in Los Angeles after both graduated. She very much appreciated the training she received at UW School of Social Work and had a varied and rewarding career as a clinical social worker. She was a psychotherapist for several years, and later worked several years in a hospital setting within the home health and hospice fields.

Gary A. Duck, who received his Ph.D. in political science from the University of Washington in 1973, engaged in a diverse set of professional pursuits after completing his graduate studies. Under contract with the U.S. Department of Education, he served as an associate research analyst to assess the effectiveness of K-12 public education programs throughout the U.S. Gary then served as an executive responsible for information technology services for a satellite company and subsequently for an energy company. Twenty years ago he, along with his son Stephen, established an investment management company, with offices in Los Angeles and Santa Fe. He retired December 2016.

After leaving UW, Gary and Susan became enthusiastic supporters of Political Science and the School of Social Work by making regular donations in support of students who followed after them.

In 2019, the Department of Political Science selected Gary Duck for its annual Distinguished Alumni Award that "recognizes department alumnus or alumna with remarkable career accomplishments and who can serve as a role model for current political science students".



Wednesday, May 10

Venue: Walker Ames Room

4:30 - 6:00 PM

Welcome Event

Welcome to the 2023 Duck
Family Workshop

Aseem Prakash
Director, Center for Environmental Politics

Faculty Panel Discussion on
How to Prepare for the Job Market

Celina Balderas Guzman
UW Landscape Architecture

Shannon Cram
UW Bothell Interdisciplinary Arts and Sciences

Sameer Shah
UW Environmental and Forest Sciences

6:30 - 8:00 PM

Welcome Dinner

Venue: Araya's Place
5240 University Way NE

Thursday, May 11

9:00 -9:15 AM: Breakfast

Venue: Smith Room, Suzzallo Library

9:15 - 10:45 AM

Panel 1: Sustainable Development & Environmental Justice

Chair: Adrienne Russell
UW Communication

Exploring the Effectiveness and Equity of Forest-Focused Supply Chain Policies in the West African Cocoa Sector

Thomas Addoah, *University of Cambridge*

Discussant: Nela Mrchkovska
UW Political Science

Religion and Sustainable Development: Direct and Indirect Effects

Kim Tùng Đào, *Erasmus University Rotterdam*

Moon Mining: Imperialism's Next Frontier or Democratic Cooperation?

Nefratiri Weeks, *Colorado State University*

10:45 - 12:15 PM

Panel 2: Environmental Political Economy

Chair: Victor Menaldo
UW Political Science

Different Paths Towards a Common Goal: How Macro-Economic Configuration Explains Climate Performance

Anna Hehenberger, *Max Planck Institute for Social Sciences*

Discussant: Nicolas Wittstock
UW Political Science

FDI and Environmental Performance: International and Local Drivers of Environmental Spending

Melisa Perut, *University of California Irvine*

Expensive Long-Term or Low-Cost Short-Term Environmentalism? Insights from choice experiments on carbon removal policy

Susanne Rhein, *ETH Zurich*

12:15 - 1:30 PM

Lunch

Venue: Smith Room

Chair: Yen-Chu Weng

UW Program on the Environment

Environmental Social Governance in China: From Desirable Option to Obligatory Reporting

Adi Caspi, *The Hebrew University of Jerusalem*

Discussant: Meagan Carmack

UW Political Science

Discursive Formation in the Global Expansion of Authoritarian Environmentalism: A Critical Content Analysis of Legitimizing Discourses Utilized by China's Belt & Road Initiative in Latin America

Emilia Ravetta, *Colorado State University*

Conserving What's Left: The International Political Economy of Protected Area Location

Austin Beacham, *University of California San Diego*

Chair: Laura Evans

UW Public Policy and Governance

The Impact of County Boards on Discretionary Rental Rate Adjustments in the Conservation Reserve Program

Wes Zebrowski, *Indiana University Bloomington*

Discussant: Christianna Parr

UW Political Science

Our Reluctant Saviors: Financial Institutions in Global Environmental Governance

Christian Elliott, *University of Toronto*

Climate Politics in India: Review of State Action Plans on Climate Change

Anuroop Sunny, *University of Kerala (online)*

Friday, May 12

9:00 -9:15 AM: Breakfast

Venue: Smith Room, Suzzallo Library

9:15 - 10:45 AM

Panel 5: Virtual Panel 1

Chair: Martha Groom

*UW Bothell Interdisciplinary
Arts and Sciences*

Climate and Peace Research

Sidney Michelini, *Potsdam Institute for Climate Impact
Research*

Cross-Cutting Vulnerabilities and Preference

Updating on Climate Mitigation

Muzhou Zhang, *University of Essex*

The Electoral Consequences of the Coal Phase-Out in
Germany

Sophia Stutzmann, *Universität Konstanz*

10:45 - 12:15 PM

Panel 6: Urban Environments

Chair: Ben Gardner

*UW Bothell Interdisciplinary
Arts and Sciences*

Visualizing the Limits to Growth and Pollution

Exposure Risk in the Industrialized Nexus

Deseret Weeks, *University of California Merced*

Discussant: Nicholas Hadjimichael

UW Public Policy and Governance

Effects of Urbanization on Cooperation: Results from
a Large-Scale Implementation of a Collective Action
Game in India

Raksha Balakrishna, *Arizona State*

Who Leads and Who Follows? A Study of Norms in
Global City Climate Governance

Devon Cantwell-Chavez, *University of Ottawa*

12:15 - 1:30 PM

Lunch

Venue: Smith Room

1:30 - 3:00 PM

Panel 7: Country and Regional Governance 1

Chair: Sameer Shah
*UW Environmental and
Forest Sciences*

Trapped by Climate Change? Linking Migration
Aspirations to Actual Moves Among a Climate-
Vulnerable Population in Bangladesh
Jan Freihardt, *ETH Zurich*

Discussant: Kayla Morton
UW Political Science

Adopting Solar Power for Irrigation: Implications for
Groundwater Depletion Within Perverse Water-Energy-
Food Nexus in India
Praharsh Patel, *Pennsylvania State*

Change and Continuity: Carbon Forestry in the Post-
Paris era in India
Manasi Anand, *Cornell University*

3:00 - 4:30 PM

Panel 8: Country and Regional Governance 2

Chair: Gary Handwerk
UW Program on the Environment

Subnational Climate Adaptation in Central America
and the Caribbean: Do Funds Flow to the Most
Vulnerable Municipalities?
Gabriela Alberola, *University of California Santa
Barbara*

Discussant: Elizabeth Echavarria
UW Political Science

Imagining New Environmentalisms: Social and Political
Capacities of Environmental and Climate Activism in
the Middle East
Rezvaneh Erfani, *University of Alberta*

Dams in Intrastate Conflict: A Political Method of Ethnic
Stratification
Alex Bezahler, *University of Iowa*

6:00 - 8:00 PM

**Dinner and
Closing Remarks**

**Venue: Waterfront Activities Center
3710 Montlake Blvd NE**

**Closing remarks for the 2023 Duck
Family Workshop**

Aseem Prakash
Director, Center for Environmental Politics

Keynote Address:
Capital Markets and Climate Change

Margaret Towle
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