

DISTINGUISHED SCHOLAR SEMINAR

Climate-Resilient Water Governance and Management: Progress and Challenges

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Dr. Kirchhoff studies how water, climate and society intersect across water governance, management and policy; science-policy interactions and decision support; adaptation to climate variability and change; and sustainable/resilient infrastructure.

Worldwide water governance failures undermine effective water management under uncertainty and change. Overcoming these failures requires employing more adaptive, resilient water-management approaches. Yet, while scholars have advanced theory of what adaptive resilient approaches should be, there is little empirical evidence to support those normative propositions. This seminar will begin with an overview of theorized characteristics of adaptive resilient water governance and management, and then review recent empirical work from two studies: first, a study of five U.S. states' allocation and planning approaches, and second, a study on infrastructure resilience in Connecticut. Results from the two studies help elucidate progress and challenges in climate-resilient water governance and management.

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