

SUSTAINABILITY RESEARCH and PRACTICE SEMINAR



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Join us every Wednesday at lunchtime – in person or via Zoom – to learn how WCU scholars, staff, and students explore and apply principles of environmental, social, and economic sustainability in their research and practice.

Cookies and coffee provided each week!

**Wednesdays from 12:00 to 12:50 pm in person
(255 A/B Sykes Student Union) and via Zoom**

<https://wcupa.zoom.us/j/96018421860>, meeting ID: 960 1842 1860, passcode: 711503

SEPTEMBER 3, 2025

Tim Ferris

Extract and Box

Buzzing towards sustainability:
creating change in a traditional industry

SEPTEMBER 10, 2025

Dr. Mark Yang

Management

Sustainable Supply Chains 2.0: Insights and lessons
from my research and emerging trends (2011-2025)

SEPTEMBER 17, 2025

Dr. Michael Malcolm

Economics & Finance

Armed conflict and household water sources:
The case of Iraq

SEPTEMBER 24, 2025

Dr. Jason A. Bartles

Languages & Cultures

A Valley to Harness: Climate Fiction in the Poconos

OCTOBER 1, 2025

Dr. Michael Burns

English

Toward a 'World Where Many Worlds Fit':
Thinking-Feeling Our Way into the Pluriverse

OCTOBER 8, 2025

Dr. Daria Nikitina

Earth & Space Sciences

Impact of Changing Climate on Landscapes

OCTOBER 15, 2025

Dr. Amy Lynch

Geography & Planning

Beyond a Critical Mass: Spatial Configuration and
the Sustainability of Working Farms and Forests

OCTOBER 22, 2025

Dr. Iliana Pagán-Teitelbaum

Languages & Cultures

Mulberry Tree. Intersections of Environmental Justice
and Disability Justice

Zoom link this week only: https://wcupa.zoom.us/meeting/register/_dKJ_z_MSKuBbzHAGY-YAw

OCTOBER 29, 2025

Dr. Tim Lutz

Earth & Space Sciences Emeritus

If sustainable living is our goal, complexability
should be our game: Playing between simplicity
and complexity

NOVEMBER 5, 2025

Lauren McGrath

*Director of Watershed Protection Program,
Willistown Conservation Trust*

The State of Our Streams: a land trust's approach to
monitoring the health of three headwater streams

NOVEMBER 12, 2025

Dr. Timothy Jussaume

Honors College

Sustainability as Global Citizenship: Creating High-
Impact Learning Experiences in the Honors College

NOVEMBER 19, 2025

Dr. Ginneh Akbar

Graduate Social Work

Environmental Justice as Social Work Practice:
Stories, Systems, and Solutions

DECEMBER 3, 2025

Dr. Patricia Davidson, *Nutrition,*

and Dr. Michael A. Di Giovine, *Anthropology*

Culinary Acculturation and Perceptions of
Sustainability Among International and
Study Abroad Students