

SDEP Critical Climate Studies Seminar – Every Semester Open Discussion Forum

Dates: Alternate Tuesdays*—see SDEP events schedule for exact dates

<http://illinois.edu/calendar/list/3575>.

Time: 7-9PM

Where: 219 Davenport Hall

Description: The SDEP “Critical Climate Studies” brings together University of Illinois scholars from across the social sciences and humanities that work on the social, cultural, and political-ecological dimensions of climate change and its myriad related implications. The seminar creates a space in which scholars with a critical social science angle on the environment can exchange ideas on empirically grounded and conceptually rigorous research and writing. The seminar provides a venue to explore key crosscutting themes and frameworks, and to discuss common methodological and theoretical challenges. Some topics that have so far been discussed are:

- The politics of climate skepticism in North America
- Urban flood vulnerability and local politics in Argentina
- Accountability and representation in forest governance in Africa
- Democracy, livelihoods, and rural development in India
- Water governance and citizen-state relations in urban India

Information: For further information and reading materials, please contact Malini Ranganathan at malini@cal.berkeley.edu.

Participation: The Critical Climate Studies Seminar is designed for faculty, Post-docs and graduate students actively engaged in research on the critical climate studies frontier. There are no presentations made in this seminar – it is not a speaker series. At each meeting we discuss works of or proposed by participants in the seminar.

*Fall 2011 the seminar is being held August; 23; September 13 & 27; October 11 & 25; November 8; and December 6.

Spring 2012, the seminar will meet Alternate Tuesday starting 31 January; February 7 & 21; March 6, & 20; April 3 & 17; and May 1.