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LECTURE SERIES EXPLORES SOLUTIONS TO CLIMATE CHANGE

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The 2008 Wilderness Issues Lecture Series – “Climate Change: Moving from Science to Solutions” – will take place at The University of Montana during February, March and April.

The nine lectures in the series are free and open to the public and will be held on campus from 7 to 8:30 p.m. the first three Tuesdays of each month.

The series features speakers from varied disciplines and fields, each with practical experience working in innovative ways to understand and effectively respond to climate change.

Moving from science to solutions, the lectures explore how we as a society can meet the challenges of climate change – one of the most pressing environmental and social issues of the 21st century.

UM students can earn one credit for attending the lecture series. Information about registering to receive credit for attendance is available by calling the Wilderness Institute at 406-243-5361.

Following are the lecture dates, titles and presenters. All lectures will be held in Urey

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Lecture Hall unless otherwise noted.

- **Feb. 5:** “**The Great Warming, Drought and the Flail of God: An Archaeologist Looks at Climate Change**” by **Brian Fagan**, author of “**The Little Ice Age**” and “**The Great Warming.**”
- **Feb. 12:** “**Cascading Climate Change Impacts on the Crown of the Continent Ecosystem**” by **Dan Fagre**, research ecologist, U.S. Geological Survey, Northern Rocky Mountain Science Center.
- **Feb. 19:** “**Law and Climate Change: Government’s Atmospheric Trust Responsibility**” by **Mary Wood**, professor, University of Oregon School of Law.
- **March 4:** This lecture will be held in Gallagher Business Building Room 106. “**Climate Change and the Press: Improving the Public Dialogue.**” Presenters: **Frank Allen**, president and executive director, Institute for Journalism and Natural Resources; **Michelle Nijhuis**, contributing editor, High Country News; and **Steve Schwarze**, associate professor, UM Department of Communication Studies.
- **March 11:** “**Climate Change Negotiations: On the Need of Nations to Follow what Justice Requires**” by **Donald Brown**, associate professor of environmental ethics and program director, Ethical Dimensions of Climate Change, Penn State University.
- **March 18:** “**Adapting to Climate Change: The Importance of Wilderness in an Uncertain World**” by **Thomas DeLuca**, senior forest ecologist, The Wilderness Society.
- **April 1:** “**Climate Change: Biblical Solutions to a World in Crisis**” by **Tri Robinson**, pastor, Vineyard of Boise, and author of “**Saving God’s Green Earth.**”
- **April 8:** “**The Greatest Generation: How Today’s 20-Year-Olds Will Save the Planet**” by **Eban Goodstein**, professor of economics, Lewis and Clark College, and project director of Focus the Nation.
- **April 15:** “**Climate Solutions: For a New, Sustainable Prosperity**” by **K.C. Golden**, policy director, Climate Solutions.

For more information about the lecture series, call Sarah Potenza at 406-243-6956, e-mail sarah.potenza@cfc.umt.edu or go online to <http://www.cfc.umt.edu/wi>.

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