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EVST 495.01: Sustainable Communities Lecture Series

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Sustainable Communities Lecture Series

EVST /SOC 495.01

Fall Semester 2002

Tuesday evenings 7:00 – 9:00

Gallagher Business Building Room 123

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Office (JRH 101) hours: Thursdays 1-2 p.m. and 4-5 p.m. or by appointment

Lineup:

A series of speakers discuss what community sustainability means and how it applies in Western Montana and beyond. Presentations will explore the facets of community sustainability as it relates to issues of energy, transportation, food systems, housing, and more. Participants will learn about strategies for implementing sustainability in their own communities. In addition to local and regional speakers, the series will include presentations from David Orr and Mathis Wackernagel, major national experts in sustainability.

Here's the full line-up on speakers and subjects:

Sept. 10

Making the Road by Walking: Visions and Practice for Sustainable Communities

Neva Hassanein, University of Montana Environmental Studies Program

Sept. 17

Addressing Climate Change: New Opportunities for Northwest Communities

Paul Horton, Climate Solutions

Sept. 24

Energy Patterns: Renewable by Design

Dale Horton, Sustainable Energy Program, National Center for Appropriate Technology

Oct. 1

Lighten Up: Getting Serious About Sustainability With the Ecological Footprint

Mathis Wackernagel, Author; Sustainability Program Director, Redefining Progress

Oct. 8

Thriving Communities in the Big Sky: Making Montana's Smart Growth Future a Reality

Tim Davis, Montana Smart Growth Coalition

Oct. 15

Sustainable and Affordable Housing: Lessons from HomeWORD

Ren Essene, HomeWORD

Oct. 22

Europe's Urban Ecology: A View from Montana

Steve Loken, Loken Builders/National Audubon Society

Oct. 29

Moving Missoula: Models for Achieving Sustainable Transportation

Bob Giordano, FreeCycles/Missoula Institute for Sustainable Transportation

Nov. 5 – No lecture

Nov. 7 (Thursday, North Urey Underground Lecture Hall)

Designing a World that Works

David Orr, Author; Chair, Environmental Studies, Oberlin College

Nov. 12

From Recycling to Ecodemia: The Maturing of the Campus Environmental Movement

Betsy Hands, UM Environmental Studies Graduate Student

Nov. 19

Sex, Goats and Desolation: Transforming Your Relationship with Agriculture, Community and Local Economics

Tom Elliot, rancher, Community Alliance for Interdependent AgriCulture

Nov. 26 – No lecture

Dec. 3

Commerce and the Sustainable Community

Susan Anderson, owner BalanceTech Software and adjunct faculty University of Montana Business School

Dec. 10

Measuring Sustainability: Indicators As A Strategic Tool

Greg Oliver, Missoula-City County Health Dept.

Grading:

This course is a Pass/Fail course.

To receive a passing grade, **undergraduates** will be required to write 1-2 page reaction papers for 10 of the 13 presentations scheduled during the series. Each reaction paper will be due the week following the presentation it covers, and should be turned in at the next lecture.

To receive a passing grade, **graduate students** must submit a 10-15 page paper elaborating on a central theme of the lecture series as brought out by several speakers during the series. These final papers are due by Friday, December 13.

All work must be original and the University's plagiarism policy will be enforced.