



ASLE 2012

ENVIRONMENT CULTURE & PLACE

in a Rapidly
Changing North

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Program in Brief

THURSDAY, JUNE 14

7:00 am – 8:00 am	Breakfast in Mourant Cafeteria
8:00 am – 10:00 am	Session P1: Keynote Address Julie Cruikshank
10:30 am – noon	Session A: Concurrent Sessions
12:00 am – 2:00 pm	UAS Bookstore Book Sale, Egan Foyer
12:00 pm – 1:30 pm	Lunch in Mourant Cafeteria
1:30 pm – 3:00 pm	Session B: Concurrent Sessions
3:30 pm – 5:00 pm	Session C: Concurrent Sessions
6:00 pm – 8:00 pm	Informal Mendenhall Glacier Visit 1
6:00 pm – 9:00 pm	Whale Watching Excursion (advance registration required)

FRIDAY, JUNE 15

7:00 am – 8:30 am	Breakfast in Mourant Cafeteria
8:30 am – 10:00 am	Session P2: Ellen Frankenstein
10:30 am – 12:00 pm	Session D: Concurrent Sessions
12:00 pm – 2:00 pm	UAS Bookstore Book Sale, Egan Foyer
12:00 pm – 1:30 pm	Lunch in Mourant Cafeteria
1:30 pm – 3:00 pm	Session E: Concurrent Sessions
3:30 pm – 5:00 pm	Session F: Concurrent Sessions
6:00 pm – 9:00 pm	Whale Watching Excursion (advance registration required)
6:00 pm – 8:00 pm	Informal Mendenhall Glacier Visit 2

SATURDAY, JUNE 16

7:00 am – 8:30 am	Breakfast in Mourant Cafeteria
8:30 am – 10:00 am	Session P3: Nancy Lord
10:30 am – 12:00 pm	Session G: Concurrent Sessions
12:00 pm – 1:30 pm	Lunch in Mourant Cafeteria
1:30 pm – 3:00 pm	Session H: Concurrent Sessions
3:30 pm – 5:00 pm	Session I: Concurrent Sessions
6:00 pm – 9:00 pm	Salmon BBQ at Auke Recreation Area (advance registration required)

SUNDAY, JUNE 17

7:00 am – 8:30 am	Breakfast in Mourant Cafeteria
8:30 am – 10:00 am	Session P4: Ernestine Hayes
10:30 am – 12:00 pm	Session J: Concurrent Sessions
12:00 pm – 1:30 pm	Lunch in Mourant Cafeteria
1:30 pm – 3:00 pm	Session K: Concurrent Sessions
3:30 pm – 6:00 pm	Field trips (advance registration required)

Registration Desk

The ASLE Conference Registration Desk is located in the Egan Foyer, in front of the Egan Library main entrance doors inside the Egan building on the second level.

Hours: Wednesday, June 13: 12:00 pm – 8:00 pm

Thursday, June 14 – Saturday, June 16: 7:00 am – 5:30 pm

Sunday, June 17: 8:00 am – 12:00 pm

Accessibility

UAS campus is ADA compliant. The Egan building and library are equipped with elevators. Parking is available for people with disabilities at various locales near buildings on campus. Please notify Sarah Jaquette Ray (sjray@uas.alaska.edu) if you have specific requests or suggestions for accommodation.

Transportation

Public Bus

The bus system (see www.juneau.org/capitaltransit/index.php or 907-789-6901) is the best form of transportation around Juneau. The Prospector and almost all dining options are in downtown Juneau, approximately 14 miles from the UAS campus. The bus runs between downtown and campus regularly, although we will run daily shuttles from the Prospector to campus and back (see shuttle information below). The bus is also the best way to get from the airport to the Prospector or campus. If you're staying in housing, the bus drops you off on campus, where we will direct you to housing.

Symposium Shuttle

We will operate UAS shuttles for the following routes, dates, and times.

- From airport to campus and to Prospector Hotel on June 13: departs airport at 7:45 pm and 10:00 pm
- From Prospector to campus daily (June 14 – 17) at 7:00 am
- From campus to Prospector Hotel and downtown: departs campus 5:30 pm on June 14, 15, 16, and 4:00 pm on June 17
- From downtown to campus June 14 – 17 at 9:00 pm
- From event sites to Prospector Hotel after Whale Watching, Glacier Visits, and Salmon BBQ
- Roundtrip from campus to Auke Recreation Shelter for Saturday Salmon BBQ
- School bus from campus to Sunday tours, with Prospector Hotel and campus drop-offs
- School bus roundtrip to Mendenhall Glacier June 14 and June 15 at 6:00 pm for informal tours

Bicycle

If you would like to explore more of the Juneau area or are camping at one of the two campgrounds, we recommend you rent a bike. Try Cycle Alaska: www.cycleak.com/rentals/ or 907-780-2253.

Dining

Your registration fee pays for breakfast and lunch daily at the Mourant Cafeteria on campus. Please use your badge to access the cafeteria. There are a few eateries within walking distance of campus: Chan's Thai Kitchen (excellent Thai food), Southeast Waffle Company (coffee shop), and The Hot Bite (hamburgers, fish, etc.) For dinners, you may want to take the shuttle to downtown (5:30 pm June 14 – 16 and 4:00 pm on June 17). We will run the shuttle from downtown back to campus at 9:00 pm each evening. Snacks and basic toiletries are available at the local corner shop, DeHart's.

We also owe much gratitude to:

The Association for the Study of Literature and Environment
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The Travel Award Committee: Louise Westling and Scott Knickerbocker
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Housing

Campus Housing Rules and Information

- Laundry: Access to communal laundry facilities is provided. Our machines require a pre-loaded swipe card which can be purchased at the Lodge Desk or through our cash-only swipe-card loading machine.
- Smoking: Smoking is not permitted inside any housing or communal facility. Look for designated smoking areas.
- Alcohol Restrictions: There is no alcohol allowed in public areas of Banfield Hall, the Housing Lodge, or in the BBQ Pavilion. Alcohol is permitted in the rooms.
- Housekeeping and Linens: No maid service is available. One linen pack is provided with each bed, which includes: (1) pillow, (1) blanket, (1) set of sheets, (2) towels, (2) washcloths, and (2) bath mats. You may launder your own linens during your stay, or you may exchange your linens at the Lodge Desk for an additional fee.
- Check-in time is 3:00 pm & check out time is 11:00 am.
- Phone service: Public access phones are available at various locations throughout the Housing complex and may not be provided in your units.
- Television: Two communal televisions with cable service are provided; one is in the Housing Lodge and another is in the TV room of Banfield Hall. They are not provided in the suites/apartments.
- Internet: Free wireless internet access is available throughout the Housing complex and campus areas. No password is required.

Badges

Please keep your badge in your possession at all times while at the symposium. Your badge admits you to the specific events for which you have registered, as well as the cafeteria for breakfast and lunch.

Computing and Internet

There are a handful of public access computers available in the library, which will be available only during the hours listed here. UAS Wifi is open and does not require a password.

Sustainability

Juneau and, in turn, the UAS Auke Bay Campus, run primarily from power produced from the Snettisham hydroelectric power plant 28 miles south of Juneau. The plant receives its power from two lakes above the plant. Long Lake is the primary source but when more power is needed the plant draws from Crater Lake. These lakes are tapped from underneath and as a result did not need a dam, reducing their impact. The projected service life on this power plant is up to 100 years allowing for a generally long-term outlook.

UAS Library Hours

Thursday 8:00 am – 7:00 pm
Friday 8:00 am – 5:00 pm
Saturday CLOSED
Sunday 1:00 pm – 5:00 pm

The UAS Sustainability Committee is devoted to making the campus a more sustainable place. Recent institutional changes include:

- Purchasing china for the campus Mourant Cafeteria
- Biodegradable disposable containers for food to-go from the cafeteria
- Use of the Xpressnap napkin program that utilizes 100% post-consumer recycled products versus virgin fiber paper.
- Campus wide recycling
- Expanded bus service for campus
- Commitment to pursue Association for the Advancement of Sustainability in Higher Education's Sustainability Tracking and Rating System ranking in 2012/13.

What you can do to contribute to a more sustainable conference:

- Bring your own coffee mug and water bottle
- Walk, bike, or use public transit systems in the Juneau area
- Make use of recycling bins on campus
- Make use of the ASLE tote-bags provided for attendees
- Enjoy the biodegradable name tag holders

Message Board

There will be a message board available at registration to communicate with conference goers.

UAS Bookstore

The UAS Bookstore, located on Glacier Highway just down the hill from campus toward Auke Bay, carries school, dorm, and art supplies, reference and general books, gift items and clothing. In addition, the bookstore has an array of Fair Trade gifts from around the world. During the conference, books from local authors and plenary speakers will be on display. The bookstore will also setup a table offering a limited supply of books from plenaries and local authors near the registration desk in the Egan Foyer Thursday June 14 and Friday June 15 from noon to 2:00 pm.

Tours and Special Events

These tours and events are meant to show you a side to Juneau that you wouldn't necessarily see if you came as a "typical" tourist, of which we host over a million each year. Tour guides are UAS student interns who have been researching their respective topics in depth, and who bring personal experience to bear on the tours. We hope you enjoy their hard work!

A note on preparing for the weather: Although June is typically one of the nicer months in Juneau, the fact remains that we are in a temperate rain forest. All the field trips will provide shelter, but we will also be outside at times, so you should be prepared for cool temperatures (45-60° F is typical) and rain.

Graduate Student Travel Awards

Allison Athens
University of California-Santa Cruz
"Making the Way Clear: Becoming Worldly with Seals"

Will Elliott
University of California-Davis
"A Lost Last Frontier? Elegy and Futurity in the Far North"

P. Joshua Griffin
University of Washington
"Resilient Identities: Risk, Resistance, and Religion in the Arctic North"

Breanne Reinfort
University of Manitoba
"Challenging Colonialism in Communication: The Community-Based Mercury Message"

International Travel Award

Hsinya Huang
National Sun Yat-sen University, Taiwan
"Global Environment and Local Knowledge in the Arctic North and Trans-Pacific Texts of Ocean and Animals"

- **Toxic Juneau:** Alaska is popularly imagined as both the “Last Frontier” and as a pristine wilderness. Southeast Alaska is known as one of the world’s most beautiful places. Amidst the verdant Sitka spruce forests and beneath the gin-clear streams lurks physical evidence of the region’s history as the site of large-scale resource extraction. Join us in exploring the toxic landscapes under Juneau’s sublime veneer on this tour highlighting this contradiction between the image and reality of Alaska. You’ve never seen toxic so beautiful! Sunday afternoon. Advance registration required.
- **Alaska Native Juneau:** Juneau’s Alaska Native presence is central to understanding the environment and culture of this place. The UAS campus, for example, is located on Auke Lake and territory of Auke Kwan Tlingits, who have inhabited Juneau for thousands of years. This tour will provide an Auke Kwan perspective of the area, with traditional food and story-telling about nearby locales. Sunday afternoon. Advance registration required.
- **Whale Watching:** Two private (ASLE-only) three hour, twilight whalewatching tours will be guided by marine biologists Dr. Fred Sharpe and Dr. Heidi Pearson, and Captain Greg Brown. Guests will board his custom-built 30’ catamaran in Auke Bay Harbor, adjacent to UAS campus, at 6:00 pm, heading out to view some of the region’s many humpbacks and other wildlife. Pizza, beer and wine provided. Thursday, June 14 and Friday, June 15. Advance registration required.
- **Salmon BBQ:** The Alaskan version of a “banquet”: locally caught salmon, locally brewed beer, and an evening on the beach. Saturday evening. Advance registration required.

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Speakers

JULIE CRUIKSHANK

Listening for Different Stories: Indigenous Knowledge and its Transformations in a Rapidly Changing North

Thursday, June 14, 8:00 am – 10:00 am | Egan Library Event Space, Level One

Julie Cruikshank's research focuses on practical and theoretical developments in oral tradition studies, specifically how competing forms of knowledge become enmeshed in struggles for legitimacy. Her ethnographic experience is rooted in the Yukon Territory, where she lived and worked for many years recording life stories with Athabaskan and Tlingit elders. She has also carried out comparative research in Alaska and Siberia. Her current work draws on theoretical trends linking the anthropology of memory with environmental anthropology. She is presently investigating historical and contemporary encounters among environmental earth sciences and indigenous oral traditions within the recently designated World Heritage Site that spans the borderlands of Yukon, northwest British Columbia, and Alaska. Her most recent book is *Do Glaciers Listen? Local Knowledge, Colonial Encounters, and Social Imagination* (UBC Press, 2005).

ELLEN FRANKENSTEIN

Eating Alaska Screening and Discussion

Friday, June 15, 8:30 am – 10:00 am | Egan Classroom Wing, Room 112

Ellen Frankenstein is an organizer and educator for community arts and school-based media projects from Los Angeles to Kake, Alaska and has exhibited her still photography nationally and internationally. Before becoming a full-time filmmaker and photographer, Frankenstein worked with the developmentally disabled, migrant farm workers, and the elderly. These experiences inspired her to take photographs and make documentaries to encourage people to tell their stories and participate in sharing their voice by using the technology themselves. Frankenstein lives in Sitka, Alaska and has helped her spouse sail a 30-foot wooden gaff-rigged ketch sail boat from Mexico to New Zealand. She will screen her film, *Eating Alaska*, a wry odyssey into sustainable food choices through the eyes of a former vegetarian on a quest to find the "right" thing to eat on the last frontier.





NANCY LORD

Stories from the Warming North

Saturday, June 16, 8:30 am – 10:00 am | Egan Library Event Space, Level One

Nancy Lord writes from her home base in Homer, Alaska. As a commercial salmon fisherman for twenty-five years (now retired) and later as a naturalist and historian on adventure cruise ships, she takes a particular interest in coastal Alaska and the sustainability of its resources and communities. Lord will read from and discuss her latest book (released in January 2011 by Counterpoint Press) *Early Warming: Crisis and Response in the Climate-Changed North*. In this new work, she weaves stories of her own experiences in communities of Alaska and Northwest Canada, where the effects of climate change are most immediate, with reports of warming salmon streams, village relocation plans, and “polar bear tourism.”



ERNESTINE HAYES

What Shall We Do With Our Histories?

Sunday, June 17, 8:30 am – 10:00 am | Egan Library Event Space, Level One

Ernestine Hayes lived with her grandmother, while her tubercular mother went in and out of the Public Health Hospital across the creek from their old house in Juneau. It was from her grandmother that Hayes received the knowledge of her identity and birthright as a Tlingit woman: “I am Eagle. I am of the Burnt House People Clan. I belong to Wolf House. I am a grandchild of the Gunaxteidi. I am a Kaagwaantann woman. My clan springs from the Sitka.” After a long and varied life, Hayes’s award winning memoir, *Blonde Indian*, articulates a sensibility and a way of apprehending the world that is truly indigenous.

Day One

Breakfast: 7:00 am – 8:00 am

MOURANT CAFETERIA

Session P1: 8:00 am – 10:00 am

P1 Plenary (Keynote)

EGAN LIBRARY EVENT SPACE, LEVEL ONE

Opening Remarks: UAS Chancellor John Pugh

Welcome to Lingit Aani: Marie Olson

Keynote Introduction: UAS Provost Richard Caulfield

- Julie Cruikshank, University of British Columbia, “Listening for Different Stories: Indigenous Knowledge and its Transformations in a Rapidly Changing North”

Session A: 10:30 am – 12:00 pm

A1 From the Margins to the Center: The Transnational Implications of America’s North vs. South Narrative

GLACIER VIEW ROOM (2ND LEVEL EGAN CLASSROOM WING)

Chair: Salma Monani, Gettysburg College

- Sarah Grieve, Arizona State University, “A Geography of Activism: The Transnational Implications of America’s North vs. South Narrative”
- Melissa Slocum, Pennsylvania State University, “People and Places as Literacy: Boarding Schools as Dislocation”
- Kyndra Turner, Arizona State University, “Egocentric Male Expeditions, Modern Science, and Monsters in Mary Shelley’s *Frankenstein* and Richard Power’s *The Echo Maker*”

A2 Art and Northern Natures

EGAN CLASSROOM WING, ROOM 109

Chair: Bernard Quetchenbach, Montana State University Billings

- Susan Rowland, Pacifica Graduate Institute-California, “Digital Art for the Way North: Ecopsychology, Complexity Science and Transnational Art for North American ‘North’ of Alaska and Canada Imaginary”
- Misao Dean, University of Victoria, “Look Again: Al Purdy’s Representation of the Natural World in *North of Summer*”

THURSDAY JUNE 14

Conference Details

For more information about speakers, registration, travel, accommodations, the Salmon BBQ, and tours, please visit the website at www.uas.alaska.edu/asle.

THURSDAY JUNE 14

A3 Geography and Stories: Alaska Native Perspectives

EGAN CLASSROOM WING, ROOM 219

Chair: Richard Dauenhauer

- Dan Monteith, Richard Dauenhauer, and Nora Marks Dauenhauer, University of Alaska Southeast, "Geological Research and Oral History in Glacier Bay"
 - Ishmael Hope, "The Water's Fine Here: An Appreciation of the Tradition Bearers of Oral Cultures"
 - Alice Taff, University of Alaska Southeast, "Cultural Knowledge Embedded in Tlingit Language Documentation"
- Discussants: Marie Olson, Nora Marks Dauenhauer

Lunch: 12:00 pm – 1:30 pm

MOURANT CAFETERIA

UAS Bookstore Book Sale: 12:00 pm – 2:00 pm

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Session B: 1:30 pm – 3:00 pm

B1 Environmental Rhetoric, Class, and Justice

EGAN CLASSROOM WING, ROOM 219

Chair: Jenifer Rae Vernon, University of Alaska Southeast

- Teresa Coronado and Patricia Cleary, University of Wisconsin-Parkside, "Unframing the Narrative: Surviving the Rhetoric of 'Frontiers' that Masks Global Climate Change"
- Valerie Carroll, Kansas State University, "Affective Labor and the Eco-feminine: Gender and Class in Contemporary American Environmental Writing"
- Jim Bishop, Young Harris College, "Average Joes in the North Woods: Class and the Rhetoric of Environmentalism"
- Ross Coen, University of Alaska Fairbanks, "Definitions of Power: Historical and Cultural Representations of Energy in Rural Alaska"

B2 Ecopoetics

GLACIER VIEW ROOM (2ND LEVEL EGAN CLASSROOM WING)

Chair: Johanna Feier, TU Dortmund University-Germany

- Scott Knickerbocker, The College of Idaho, "Wildflowers and Wild Words in Marilyn Nelson's *A Wreath for Emmett Till*"
- Ruth Hawthorn, University of Glasgow, "[T]he knowledge /I wrung from the darkness': Randall Jarrell's North"
- Adele Barclay, University of Victoria, "Digesting Her Life: Ethnography and Narration in Mary Austin's *The Land of Little Rain*"

B3 Ice on the Stove: How Poetry Responds to the Northern Imagination

EGAN CLASSROOM WING, ROOM 223

Chair: Emily Wall, University of Alaska Southeast

- Allen Braden, Tacoma Community College
- Holly Hughes, Edmonds Community College
- Derek Sheffield, Wenatchee Valley College

Break: 3:00 pm – 3:30 pm

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Session C: 3:30 pm – 5:00 pm

C1 Wild Forms

EGAN CLASSROOM WING, ROOM 109

Chair: David Sumner, Linfield College

- Kyhl Lyndgaard, Marlboro College, “Heading East to End up North: A Year in Vermont’s Woods”
- David Robertson, University of California, “Searching for Alpha: EconoHuman Invests His All in Alaska”
- Crystal Gibbins, University of Nebraska-Lincoln, “Into Lake of the Woods: Poems”

C2 Poetry of Place

EGAN CLASSROOM WING, ROOM 219

Chair: Diana Woodcock, VCU Qatar

- Lauren de Paepe, University of Montana, “Settling the Edge”
- Emily Wall, University of Alaska Southeast, “Liveaboard: Finding Home in a Transient World”
- Deborah Fleming, “Morning, Winter Solstice”

C3 Voices from the Margins

GLACIER VIEW ROOM (2ND LEVEL EGAN CLASSROOM WING)

Chair: Teresa Coronado, University of Wisconsin-Parkside

- Robin Walz, University of Alaska Southeast, “Who’s Afraid of the Big Bad Borg? The Collectivist Imperative in the Age of Cybernetic Organisms”
- Chaone Mallory, Villanova University, “Edgy Ecologies: Radical Forest Activism and the Queering of the Nature/Human Boundary”
- Robert Boschman, Mount Royal University, “The Arctic Vampire as Bioterrorist in 30 Days of Night”
- Jessica Boykin, Missouri State University, “She Unzips Her Human Skin: Atwood’s *Surfacing* and the Narrator’s Animal Transformation”

Field Trips: 6:00 pm Whale Excursion or Mendenhall Glacier

THURSDAY JUNE 14

Field Trips

Informal Mendenhall

**Glacier Visit with Mike Hekkers,
UAS Environmental Scientist**

6:00 pm – 8:00 pm, 6/14 and 6/15

Transportation provided. Meet at Registration Desk, Egan Foyer. Bring rain gear, binoculars, camera, etc.

Private Whale Excursion

**with Dr. Fred Sharpe, Dr. Heidi Pearson,
Captain Greg Brown of Weather Permitting Alaska LLC**

6:00 pm – 9:00 pm, 6/14 and 6/15

Advance registration required. Meet in Egan Foyer at 6:00 pm for tour departure. Binoculars, food, and beverages provided. *All proceeds are being generously donated to Alaska Wildlife Alliance.*

This trip is approximately three hours, not including shuttle time, allowing plenty of time for the opportunity to view humpback whales, orcas, bears, sea lions, eagles, and porpoises.

Day Two

**FRIDAY
JUNE 15**

Breakfast: 7:00 am – 8:30 am

MOURANT CAFETERIA

Session P2: 8:30 am – 10:00 am

P2 Plenary

EGAN CLASSROOM WING, ROOM 112

- Ellen Frankenstein, Film Screening of *Eating Alaska* and Discussion

Session D: 10:30 am – 12:00 pm

D1 Experiential Environments

EGAN CLASSROOM WING, ROOM 219

Chair: Kyhl Lyndgaard, Marlboro College

- Douglass Bourne, University of Alaska Anchorage, “The Muldrow Amphitheatre”
- David Sumner, Linfield College, “Teaching in Place: Reading Steinbeck in the Sea of Cortez”
- Katie Eberhart, “The Search for Meaning: Writing from the Volunteer Experience”
- Kevin Krein, University of Alaska Southeast, “Nature Sports and Wilderness Activities”

D2 From the Margins to the Center: Ecological Citizenship and Migrant Rights in Literature, Film, and Activist Documents

GLACIER VIEW ROOM (2ND LEVEL EGAN CLASSROOM WING)

Chair: Janet Fiskio, Oberlin College

- Joni Adamson, Arizona State University, “¡Todos Somos Indios!': Indigenous Organizing and Activist Literatures of the Americas”
- Salma Monani, Gettysburg College, “Mother Earth in Crisis: Visions and Voices of American Indian Filmmakers”
- Sarah D. Wald, Drew University, “Ecological Citizenship and Migrant Rights in the Writings of Luisa Moreno and Helena Maria Viramontes”

Lunch: 12:00 pm – 1:30 pm

MOURANT CAFETERIA

UAS Bookstore Book Sale: 12:00 pm – 2:00 pm

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Session E: 1:30 pm – 3:00 pm

E1 Toward a Wider Concept of Food Justice

EGAN CLASSROOM WING, ROOM 219

Chair: Janet Fiskio, Oberlin College

- Lucia Anne Kalinosky, Oberlin College, “Victory Gardens, Nation Making, and Violence”
- Erin Swenson-Klatt, Oberlin College, “Think Global, Think Local: Slow Food’s Philosophy on Place as a Model for the Food Movement”
- Sophia Bamert, Oberlin College, “Food Justice and the City: From Urban Food Consumer to Urban Food Citizen”

E2 Animals in the Northern Imagination

EGAN CLASSROOM WING, ROOM 224

Chair: David Nunez Toews, University of Calgary

- John Miller, University of Northern British Columbia, “Walrus and the Arctic Sublime”
- Bernard Quetchenbach, Montana State University Billings, “Animal Migration and the Imagined North: A Presentation of Poetry and Creative Nonfiction”
- Allison Athens, University of California Santa Cruz, “Making the Way Clear: Becoming Worldly with Seals”
- Kristen Gravitte, University of Tulsa, “Evolution, Identity, and Literature at the Turn of the Century: Animals and Jack London, Walt Whitman, and Charles Chesnut”

E3 Contesting Resource Conservation

GLACIER VIEW ROOM (2ND LEVEL EGAN CLASSROOM WING)

Chair: Susan Kollin, Montana State University

- Margot Higgins, University of California Berkeley, “From Copper to Conservation: Mining for Nature and Culture in Wrangell Saint Elias National Park and Preserve”
- Sarah Crawford Isto, “Fur Farming in Alaska: Romantic Ideas and Environmental Misunderstanding in Literature and Life”
- Alexandra Winton, Memorial University of Newfoundland, “Here Today, Gone to Mayo: An Emotional Geography of Mine Closure and Redevelopment in the Yukon”
- Scott Slocombe and Amanda Solmes, Wilfrid Laurier University, “Toward New Foundations for Environmental Management and Sustainability: Lessons from Northern Canada”

Break: 3:00 pm – 3:30 pm

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FRIDAY JUNE 15

University of Alaska
Southeast Bookstore Sale

Select books from plenary speakers and local authors: Noon-2:00 pm Thursday and Friday in the Egan Foyer.

FRIDAY JUNE 15

Field Trips

Informal Mendenhall

Glacier Visit with Dr. Eran Hood

6:00 pm – 8:00 pm, 6/14 and 6/15

Transportation provided. Meet at Registration Desk, Egan Foyer. Bring rain gear, binoculars, camera, etc. Guest Guide: Dr. Eran Hood, Associate Professor of Environmental Science

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with Dr. Fred Sharpe, Dr. Heidi Pearson, Captain Greg Brown of Weather Permitting Alaska LLC

6:00 pm – 9:00 pm, 6/14 and 6/15

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Session F: 3:30 pm – 5:00 pm

F1 Places of Strength: How Will Writers find the Strength and Courage to do our Work for the World

GLACIER VIEW ROOM (2ND LEVEL EGAN CLASSROOM WING)

Chair: Kathleen Dean Moore, Oregon State University

- Hank Lentfer, Gustavus, “Faith of Cranes, Arctic Refuge”
- Nancy Lord, “Beluga Days, Early Warming”
- Kathleen Dean Moore, Oregon State University, “Wild Comfort and Moral Ground”

F2 Haa Yoo Xh’atángi Haa Léelk’u Has Aanix’ Kudzitee: Our Language Lives on the Land of Our Grandparents (*Tlingit Place and Identity*)

EGAN CLASSROOM WING, ROOM 224

Chair: Xh’unei – Lukaax.ádi

- Xh’unei – Lukaax.ádi, “Genocide is Not Progress: Deconstructing the Modern Forms of Manifest Destiny”
- Yankawgé – L’uknax sháa
- L’ook Shaatk’ – L’uknax sháa
- Shaadootlaa – L’uknax sháa
- Xeetli.éesh – Kaagwaantaan

F3 Poetics of Place: Motion

EGAN CLASSROOM WING, ROOM 109

Chair: Stella Čapek, Hendrix College

- Krestia DeGeorge, University of Maine, “Fish Camp and Beyond: Toward a Nomadic Poetics of Place in Northern Landscapes”
- Stella Čapek, Hendrix College, “Encountering Nova Scotia: Doorways into Silence and Voice”
- James Engelhardt, University of Alaska Press, “Boundaries and Freedom: Westward to Alaska”

Field Trips: 6:00 pm Whale Excursion or Mendenhall Glacier

Day Three

Breakfast: 7:00 am – 8:30 am

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Session P3: 8:30 am – 10:00 am

P3 Plenary

EGAN LIBRARY EVENT SPACE, LEVEL ONE

Introduction: Emily Wall, University of Alaska Southeast

- Nancy Lord, “Stories from the Warming North”

Session G: 10:30 am – 12:00 pm

G1 Animals and Traditional Ecological Knowledges

GLACIER VIEW ROOM (2ND LEVEL, EGAN CLASSROOM WING)

Chair: Joni Adamson, University of Arizona

- Michael Emerson, Northwestern Michigan College, “Lessons from the North: Richard Nelson on Human/Animal Epistemologies in Koyukon Culture”
- Fred Sharpe, Alaska Whale Foundation, “Native Peoples Find Kinship Among Wild Things”
- Hsinya Huang, National Sun Yat-sen University-Taiwan, “Global Environment and Local Knowledge in the Arctic North and Trans-Pacific Texts of Ocean and Animals”
- Chad Cook, University of Alaska Fairbanks, “The Yup’ik Bladder Festival & Traditional Beliefs in Relation to Conceptions of Conservation”

G2 Resilient Worldviews in Environmental Literature

EGAN CLASSROOM WING, ROOM 108

Chair: Salma Monani, Gettysburg College

- P. Joshua Griffin, University of Washington, “Resilient Identities: Risk, Resistance, and Religion in the Arctic North”
- April Anson, University of Oregon, “Mormonism, Biopolitics and the Refuge of Ecofeminist Resistance in Terry Tempest Williams”
- Siobhan Senior, University of New Hampshire, “Environment, Culture and Sustainability in the Speculative Fiction of a Mohegan Medicine Woman”

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G3 Sounds Wild: Abbey, Lopez, Mowat, and Muir

EGAN CLASSROOM WING, ROOM 219

Chair: Nina Chordas, University of Alaska Southeast

- Brooks Toliver, University of Akron, "Edward Abbey's Tastes in Western Art Music"
- Jim Warren, Washington and Lee University, "Soundscapes: Barry Lopez, John Luther Adams, and the Resonance of Place"
- David Nunez Toews, University of Calgary, "Peripheral Visions: Farley Mowat's Dissident Northern Geographies"
- Daniel Lee Henry, University of Alaska Southeast-Sitka, "John Muir and the Chilkats: The Conversion of the Last Hostile Heathens in America"

Lunch: 12:00 pm – 1:30 pm

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Session H: 1:30 pm – 3:00 pm

H1 Environmental Discourses, Law, and Policy in the North

EGAN CLASSROOM WING, ROOM 223

Chair: Eric Heyne, University of Alaska Fairbanks

- Mitchell Patterson, Ryerson University, "The Canadian Arctic and the Rangers: National Narratives of Nature and Military Roles"
- Michael Burger, Roger Williams University School of Law, "The Arctic Imagination, Climate Change, and the Evolution of Environmental and Maritime Law on the Earth's Frozen Frontier"
- Russ Van Paeppegem, University of Montana, "Bob Marshall's Arctic: Are There Really Wise Men in Wiseman? How Human Interaction Translated to Wilderness"
- Daniel Lord, University of Alaska Southeast-Sitka, "A Focus for Discourse on the Right to Development for Promulgation by the Far North"

H2 Colonial Legacies and Environmental Justice

GLACIER VIEW ROOM (2ND LEVEL, EGAN CLASSROOM WING)

Chair: Sarah Wald, Drew University

- David Vázquez, University of Oregon, "Reconsidering the Factory Farm: Agriculture, Space, and Community in Helena María Viramontes's *Under the Feet of Jesus*"
- Jennifer Barager Sibara, University of Southern California, "*Maquilapolis*: Mobilizing Resistance to Environmental Violence in the Global South"
- Khadija Belfarhi, Annaba University Algeria, "Post-Colonialism and Encultured Literature: Forms and Variations of Nativity"

H3 Poetry of Environment and Place

EGAN CLASSROOM WING, ROOM 219

Chair: Siobhan Senier, University of New Hampshire

- Josie Sibara, University of Southern California, "Petrophilia, with Orchids"
- Jenifer Rae Vernon, University of Alaska Southeast, "Poetry of Southeast Alaska"
- Diana Woodcock, VCU Qatar, "Two Ecosystems in Crisis: What the Everglades and the Arabian Desert Have in Common, and How Poetry Unites Them"

Break: 3:00 pm – 3:30 pm

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Session I: 3:30 pm – 5:00 pm

II Imagining the North: Various Lenses

GLACIER VIEW ROOM (2ND LEVEL EGAN CLASSROOM WING)

Chair: Robert Boschman, Mount Royal University

- Erin Scheffer, University of Toronto, "Weinzweig's North: Imagining Canadian Identity and Northerness in 1940s CBC Radio Programming"
- Susan Kollin, Montana State University Bozeman, "Alaskans in Unusual Places: Hollywood Film and the Far North"
- Johanna Feier, TU Dortmund University-Germany, "Reinventing the Far North: Filmic Responses to an Increasingly Fragile Environment"
- Nina Chordas, University of Alaska Southeast, "Global Warming and Russia: Imagining the 'New North'"

I2 Responding to Climate Change

EGAN CLASSROOM WING, ROOM 223

Chair: Scott Knickerbocker, The College of Idaho

- Norah Bowman-Broz, Okanagan College and University of Alberta, "Creative Assemblages of Climate Change: Living with the Anomalous Mountain Pine Beetle in Northern British Columbia"
- Janet Fiskio, Oberlin College, "Mourning, Witness, Hospitality: A Poetics of Climate Change"
- Josie Sibara, University of Southern California, "Changing the Climate: Toward an Anti-Racist Post Carbon Fiction"

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Salmon BBQ

Saturday, June 16, 6:00 - 9:00 pm

At Auke Recreation Village Shelter.
Transportation provided, advance
registration required. Meet at bus stop
turnaround outside Egan Library,
Second Level. Bring rain gear,
binoculars, camera, etc.

13 Roundtable: Geography and Stories: Alaska Native Perspectives II

EGAN CLASSROOM WING, ROOM 219

Chair: Ishmael Hope

- Richard Dauenhauer and Nora Marks Dauenhauer, University of Alaska Southeast, "Landscape and Literature in Dry Bay: An Overview of Ongoing Research"
- Marie Olson
- Dan Monteith, University of Alaska Southeast

Dinner: Salmon BBQ 6:00 pm – 9:00 pm

Day Four

Breakfast: 7:00 am – 8:30 am

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Session P4: 8:30 am – 10:00 am

P4 Plenary

EGAN LIBRARY EVENT SPACE, LEVEL ONE

Introduction: Xh'unei – Lukaax.ádi

- Ernestine Hayes, University of Alaska Southeast, “What Shall We Do With Our Histories?”

Session J: 10:30 am – 12:00 pm

J1 Extraction, Community, and Communication

EGAN CLASSROOM WING, ROOM 223

Chair: Douglass Bourne, University of Alaska Anchorage

- Breanne Reinfort, University of Manitoba, “Challenging Colonialism in Communication: The Community-Based Mercury Message”
- William Slaymaker, Wayne State College Nebraska, “Oil on Water: Literary Protests Against the Transcanadian Keystone XL Pipeline over the Ogallala Aquifer”
- Deborah Fleming, Ashland University Ohio, “Citizen Action Against Fracking in Northeast Ohio”

J2 Theorizing Oral Traditions

EGAN CLASSROOM WING, ROOM 219

Chair: Hsinya Huang, National Sun Yat-sen University-Taiwan

- Sol Neely, University of Alaska Southeast, “‘With Wings Like Lungs’: Toward an Inspired Eco-Phenomonology”
- James Lawson, University of Victoria, “Bakhtin’s Chronotope and Narrating Contested Truths about the Land: A Method for Opening the Settler Imaginary to Indigenous Truth Claims”
- Nicholas Bradley, University of Victoria, “That is not quite what it is: Oral Traditional Narratives as Environmental Literature”

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J3 Northern Literary Imaginaries

EGAN CLASSROOM WING, ROOM 109

Chair: Eric Heyne, University of Alaska Fairbanks

- Will Elliott, University of California Davis, "A Lost Last Frontier? Elegy & Futurity in the Far North"
- Corinna Cook, University of Alaska Fairbanks, "Letters as Literature: Semantic and Discursive Features of Irony in *Letters to Howard*"
- Eric Heyne, University of Alaska Fairbanks, "Borrowed Mythology: Counter/Cross-cultural Narrative in Nancy Lord's *The Man Who Swam With Beavers*"

J4 UAS Undergraduate Presentations on Environment, Culture, and Place in a Rapidly Changing North

EGAN CLASSROOM WING, ROOM 224

Chair: Kevin Maier, University of Alaska Southeast

- Jen Smith, University of Alaska Southeast, "The Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act: Native Blood in the Usurpation of Corporate Identity"
- Tom Schwartz, University of Alaska Southeast, "Eating Local: Food in Southeast Alaska"
- Kahle Ess, University of Alaska Southeast, "'Reality' in the Last Frontier"

Lunch: 12:00 pm – 1:30 pm

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Session K: 1:30 pm – 3:00 pm

K1 Workshop

MEET IN EGAN CLASSROOM WING, ROOM 223

- "Embodying This Changing Place: An Eco-Somatic Dramatic Experiential Exploration...Outdoors!", Bronwyn Preece, University of Victoria

K2 Literatures Shaped by Place

GLACIER VIEW ROOM (2ND LEVEL, EGAN CLASSROOM WING)

Chair: Michael Emerson, Northwestern Michigan College

- William Kupinse, University of Puget Sound, "The Not-so-sweet Smell of Booker-Prize Success: Waste and Empire in J.G. Farrell's *The Siege of Krishnapur* and Salman Rushdie's *Midnight Children*"
- Kelly Sultzbach, University of Wisconsin-La Crosse, "'The Good Place': The Influence of Auden's Childhood in England's Northern Pennines & His Subsequent Cosmopolitan Travels on his Ecocentric Ethics"
- Haixiang Xu, Nanjing University, "Their Different Deserts: Ecofeminism and Eco Masculinity in Mary Austin and Edward Abbey's Desert Writings"

K3 Losing the Self in the North

EGAN CLASSROOM WING, ROOM 224

Chair: Will Elliott, University of California-Davis

- Gerard Dollar, Siena College, Albany-New York, "White Out!: Alaska, Erasure, and the Environmental Pilgrim"
- Ryan Hediger, Kent State University of Tuscarawas, "Mortality is Always Local: Posthumanism and Perspective in Anne Proulx's Newfoundland"
- Jacob Bachinger (proxy reader), University College of the North-Manitoba, "Cold Pastoral: Liveyer Memoirs of Labrador"

Break: 3:00 pm – 3:30 pm

COFFEE SERVICE IN THE EGAN FOYER

Field Trips: 3:30 pm Alaska Native Juneau and Toxic Juneau Tours

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Alaska Native Juneau Tour

3:30 pm – 6:00 pm

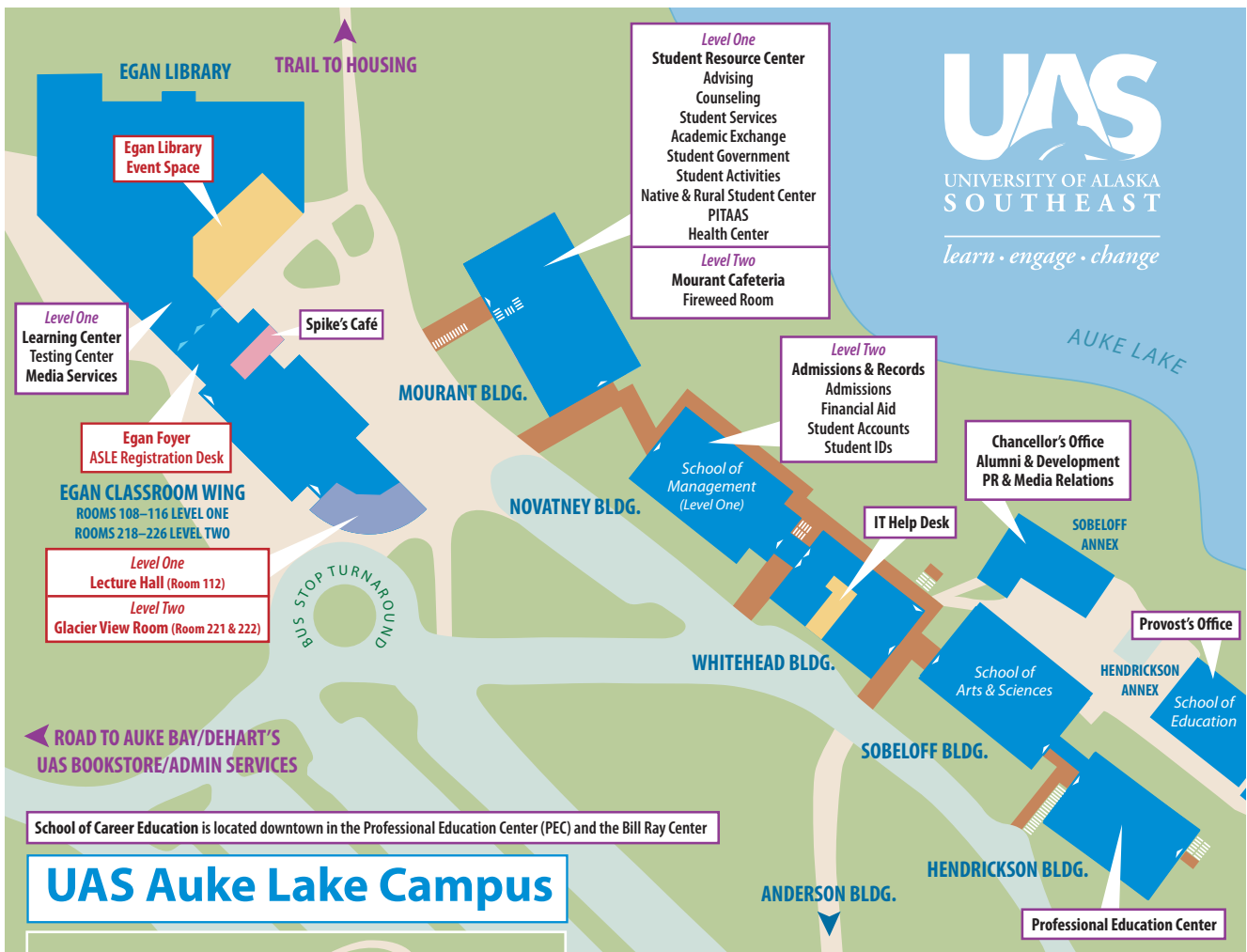
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Toxic Juneau Tour

3:30 pm – 6:00 pm

Advance registration required. Meet at Registration Desk, Egan Foyer.





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