

Spring 2024 Symposium

MONDAY

April 22, 2024

12 PM - 5 PM

Levis Faculty Center, Room 210
919 W Illinois, Urbana

How does the research university address the problem of climate change? This experimental symposium showcases hypothetical project proposals created by early-career researchers at UIUC, projects that seek to realize the promise of interdisciplinarity encouraged by so many research initiatives across academic institutions. In so doing, the presentations and conversations in this symposium also explore and critique the institutional infrastructures that facilitate—and sometimes limit—new kinds of research. They explore the “state-of-the-field” where “the field” is defined in a new way: not the traditional disciplinary spaces in which research is currently situated, but the trans-disciplinary spaces and intersections in which new research on climate change could potentially break out.

12:00pm-1:30pm, Keynote, Dominic Boyer (Rice University), *Learning to Live in 3-D: Decarbonization, Decoupling, and Degrowth*

1:30pm-1:45pm, Break

1:45pm-5pm, Symposium: *Climate Change and the Infrastructure of Research*

Two panels of presentations and discussions about student projects from CAS 587

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Artist: Emmy Lingscheidt

Bloom (Top), linocut relief print, 22 x 42”, 2018

Remediator (Bottom), linocut relief print, 22 x 42”, 2018

This event is part of the new initiative Climate | Change, which examines creative interventions in, interpretations of, and solutions to the climate crisis in which all academic work is embedded. It also pushes us to rethink how the “climate” of our institution currently facilitates and limits those interventions and solutions. The initiative envisions new possibilities and fosters new relationships, bringing scholars, researchers, artists, and knowledge-makers together at the Center for Advanced Study for interdisciplinary conversations and actions.

CAS Resident Associates Jamie Jones (English), Robert Morrissey (History), and Roderick Wilson (East Asian Languages & Cultures; History) oversee this initiative which includes an ongoing public events series and a graduate seminar (CAS 587) in Spring 2024 among other activities.

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