

# (RE)VISIONS OF THE FUTURE:

PUBLIC SOCIOLOGY, ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE, & THE CRISIS OF CLIMATE CHANGE

## 4<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL PUBLIC SOCIOLOGY CONFERENCE

OCTOBER 18, 2014 AT GEORGE MASON UNIVERSITY, VA



### CALL FOR PAPERS

The graduate students of the Public Sociology Program at George Mason University organize an annual conference that critically engages contemporary social problems with diverse publics. This year's conference engages the robust field of environmental justice and the contemporary crisis of climate change. We invite papers and session proposals—from students, scholars, practitioners, policymakers and activists, alike—that focus on the social impacts of environmental changes and the ongoing and emerging efforts to shape and reshape our future. Topics may include, but are not limited to:

- Environmental Racism, Sexism, & Classism
- Political Ecology (or Economy) & Climate Change
- Human Landscapes & Consumption
- Cities & the Sharing Economy
- Weather Events and Disaster Recovery
- Immigration, Security, & Risk
- Sustainable Development & Environmental Activism
- Indigenous Social Movements & Nature Rights
- Public Sociology, Pedagogy, and Practice
- And more...

The conference will feature the following sessions and opportunities for submitters:

- **Traditional Paper Sessions** with facilitated group discussions
- **Round Tables** that feature young scholars and emerging research projects
- **Thematic Forum Sessions** on strategies to further environmental justice work and scholarship
- **Workshops** aimed at enabling critical public sociological approaches to social research

Submissions should be emailed to [gmusocgrads@gmail.com](mailto:gmusocgrads@gmail.com) along with a short bio. For more information visit [gmupublicsoci.wordpress.com](http://gmupublicsoci.wordpress.com)

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**DEADLINE FOR CONFERENCE SUBMISSIONS: JULY 13<sup>TH</sup>, 2014**