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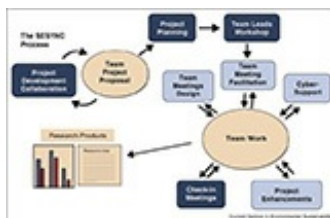
News from the National Socio-Environmental Synthesis Center

## Livestream Our Distinguished Scholar Workshop in Anthropology: February 29 & March 1, 2016

SESYNC is pleased to announce the fourth Distinguished Scholar Workshop of our Socio-Environmental Immersion Program. During the workshop, each scholar will present one lens through which anthropology approaches socio-environmental problems to immerse expert and non-expert participants in foundational theories from anthropology. Our Distinguished Scholars of Anthropology are:

- Eduardo S. Brondizio, Indiana University Bloomington
- Paige West, Columbia University
- Michael Paolisso, University of Maryland
- Monique Borgerhoff Mulder, University of California Davis
- Bonnie McCay, Rutgers University

Workshop lectures on foundational theories and methods in sociology will be live webstreamed, as well as accessible after the workshop as an archived video. [Additional information is available here.](#)



## Practices for Facilitating Interdisciplinary Synthetic Research

Members of SESYNC's leadership team are authors of the paper "Practices for facilitating interdisciplinary synthetic research: the National Socio-Environmental Synthesis Center (SESYNC)," recently published in the journal *Current Opinion in Environmental Sustainability*. This **open access paper** describes SESYNC's programs and processes, designed to enhance interdisciplinary team effectiveness and the building of new communities of scientists undertaking socio-environmental synthesis research.

[Learn more here.](#)

## Case Studies Short Course

SESYNC invites participants for the Teaching Socio-Environmental Synthesis with Case Studies short course to be held July 19-22, 2016, at SESYNC in Annapolis, Maryland.

We seek a diverse group of participants, including faculty, postdocs, and graduate students from both the social and natural sciences. Participants should have a strong interest in learning about and teaching socio-environmental synthesis and be willing to commit to writing a case study related to socio-environmental synthesis.

[Find details here.](#) Deadline for applications is March 30, 2016, at 5 pm EDT.

## SESYNC Postdoc Awarded Wrigley-Fairchild Prize

The American Geographical Society announced earlier this month that Dr. Matthew LaFavor, postdoctoral fellow at SESNYC, has been selected to receive the seventh Wrigley-Fairchild Prize.

The Wrigley-Fairchild Prize is given once every three years to the author of the best article by an early-career scholar published in the most recent three volumes of the *Geographical Review*. Dr. LaFavor is being recognized for his paper "Building a Colonial Resource Monopoly: The Expansion of Sulphur Mining in New Spain (1600-1820)."

[Read more here.](#)

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## New Immersion Teaching Materials

SESYNC's [Socio-Environmental Immersion Program](#) is based on the immersion principle: that diving into new ideas in the context of problems familiar from one's own disciplinary tradition will support learning and later application of the new ideas. Immersion workshops are structured around the presentation of lectures by scholars to provide a foundation and content for in-depth learning, followed by discussion and application of a specific discipline's methods and theories to socio-environmental problems.

From these Immersion workshops, SESYNC has generated lecture videos and case studies as teaching materials. [Access these resources here.](#)

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