



## Rising Environmental Leaders Program

2013 DC Boot Camp Agenda  
March 25 - 29, 2013

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NOTE: Unless otherwise noted, all sessions are at Stanford in Washington (SIW), Distance Learning Center, 2661 Connecticut Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20008

### Sunday March 24, 2013 - Arrival and Set Up for the Week

Arrive and check in: Washington Marriott Wardman Park Hotel  
2660 Woodley Road NW, Washington, DC 20008

6:00 **Social Hour** - Harding Room in Hotel

7:00 **Welcome Dinner & Introduction of Professor Adrienne Jamieson, SIW**  
Set Up for Week, Final Agenda, and Q & A  
**Sherrie Gong Taguchi**, Director of Programs  
and **Mollie Field**, Conference Services Manager

### Monday, March 25, 2013 - Day #1 – Overview and Connecting Your Research to Policy and People

8:45 Meet in Hotel Lobby

9:00 Breakfast at SIW

10:00 **Intro to Congress: Overview of the Process**  
Moderator - **David Welna**, NPR's Congressional Correspondent

**Anna Aurilio**, Director, Environment America  
**Lara Levison**, Program Director/Domestic Policy Director, US Climate Action Network and former Environmental Policy Advisor to Speaker Pelosi  
**Chris Miller**, former Senior Policy Advisor to Senate Majority Leader, Harry Reid

12:00 **Lunch with Keynote Speaker - How to Make Your Science Relevant/Communications**  
**Holmes Hummel**, Senior Policy Advisor, U.S. Department of Energy

1:30 **Getting Around Washington, DC: Insights and Perspective**  
**Charles Cushman**, Government Affairs Institute, Georgetown University

2:45 Break

3:00 **Understanding the Federal Appropriations Process**  
**Kei Koizumi**, Office of Science and Technology

4:30           **Communicating with Impact: Practicing Your 2-minute Pitch**  
                  **Jason Funk**, Stanford PhD and Land Use and Climate Scientist, EDF  
                  **Sherrie Taguchi**, Stanford MBA

\*Dinner on Own\*

**Tuesday, March 26, 2013 - Day #2 - A Focus on the Federal Government**

8:00           Meet in Hotel Lobby - Metro to Capitol

8:30/45       Capitol Visitors Center Security Clearance & Breakfast on Own

9:40           Meet near Senate Appointment Desk on north side of lower level to get tickets.  
                  We all have to go in as one group.

9:50           **Tour of Capitol** – Scheduled through Congresswoman Eshoo’s Office

11:15         **Inner workings of a Congressional Office Q & A (241 Cannon)**  
                  **Erin Katzelnick-Wise**, Legislative Director, Congresswoman Anna Eshoo,  
                  California’s 18<sup>th</sup> District

12:30         **Lunch & Meet with Senators Heinrich and Murphy’s Energy/Environmental  
Policy Staff**  
                  Dirksen Senate Office Building, G11 on the ground floor  
                  **Maya Hermann** and **Jesse Young**

3:00           **Working with Government Agencies**  
                  Location: Environmental Protection Agency, Arial Rios North Building, 1200  
                  Pennsylvania Avenue NW, Room 3530  
                  Moderator: **Dave Wegner**, House Transportation and Infrastructure  
                  Committee  
  
                  **Alex Barron**, Environmental Protection Agency  
                  **Sarah Jensen**, U. S. Department of Energy and “Green the Capitol”  
                  **Michael Uhart**, NOAA’s OAR Director, Laboratories and Cooperative  
                  Institutes

6:00 – 8:00   **Dinner & Speaker - Being an Academic Expert in a Policy World**  
                  SIW Dining Room  
                  **Buzz Thompson**, Perry L. McCarty Director; Stanford Woods Institute for  
                  the Environment

**Wednesday, March 27, 2013 - Day #3 – Building Effective Partnerships**

Location: Resources for the Future (RFF), 1616 P Street NW, 7th Floor  
Conference Room

- 7:45 Meet in Hotel Lobby - Travel to RFF
- 8:30 **Breakfast & Speaker - Insights and Perspective on Partnership Building**  
**Meg Caldwell**, Executive Director, Center for Ocean Solutions
- 9:30 **Think Tanks: Turning Science into Policy Making**  
Moderator - **Molly Macauley**, Director of Research, RFF
- William (Bill) Brown**, Brookings Institute Senior Fellow, Global Economy and Development  
**Josh Trapani**, formerly Bipartisan Policy Center and currently Association of American Universities  
**Carol Werner**, Executive Director of the Environmental and Energy Study Institute
- 10:30 **Successful Collaborations with NGOs**  
Moderator - **Peter Nelson**, Director of Communications, RFF
- Jon Hoekstra**, Chief Scientist, World Wildlife Fund  
**Ben Ratner**, Manager & Bill Bowes Fellow, Corporate Partnerships Program, Environmental Defense Fund
- 11:45 **Lunch & Speaker - World Bank - International Policy and Global Partnerships**  
**John Balafoutis**, Senior Manager, World Bank; former Special Assistant to President James D. Wolfensohn
- By 1:15 Travel to SIW
- 2:00 **International Climate Change Policy and Partnerships**  
Moderator - **Tonya Rawe**, Senior Policy Advocate, CARE USA
- Keya Chatterjee**, Senior Director International Climate Change and Policy, WFF  
**Jake Schmidt**, International Climate Policy Director, Natural Resources Defense Council  
**Ilana Solomon**, Trade Representative, Sierra Club
- 3:30 **Alumni Career Insights – Diverse Paths and Perspectives**  
Moderator - **Kai Anderson**
- Bathsheba Crocker**, Office of Policy and Planning, State Department  
**Carolyn Snyder**, White House Fellow
- 4:45 – 5:45 **Meeting with Undersecretary of Education**  
Informal Discussion and Q&A  
**Dr. Martha Kanter**

6:00 – 8:00 **Alumni Reception for the Rising Environmental Leaders Cohort 2013**  
The Honorable **Dr. Steven Chu**

**Thursday, March 28, 2013 – Day #4 – Funding Your Research**

The National Press Club, 529 14<sup>th</sup> St. NW, 13<sup>th</sup> Floor, Lisagor Room

7:30 Metro to The National Press Club

8:00 – 11:00 **Policy Briefing: Climate Adaptation Survey Results**

Co-sponsored by the Stanford Woods Institute and Center for Ocean Solutions

**Jon Krosnick**, Frederic O. Glover Professor in Humanities & Social Sciences and Senior Fellow, Stanford Woods Institute for the Environment

Moderator - **Meg Caldwell**, Executive Director of the Center for Ocean Solutions

**Cas Holloway**, Deputy Mayor for Operations for the City of New York

**Laurie McGilvray**, Chief of the Estuarine Reserves Division of the National Oceanic Atmospheric Administration (NOAA)

**Margaret Peloso**, Associate, Vinson and Elkins LLP

**Carol Werner**, Executive Director of the Environmental and Energy Study Institute

11:00 Take Metro - Portrait in front of Capitol

12:15 – 1:00 **Senator Feinstein Session**

Hart Senate Office Building, Room 331

**Felix Yeung**, Legislative Assistant – Environmental

1:00 Take Metro back to The National Press Club

1:30 Lunch

2:00 **Fellowships and Careers at the Intersection of Science/Policy**

**Cynthia Robinson**, Director, AAAS

3:15 Break

3:30 **Exploring the World of Science Policy: AAAS Fellows Share Their Views**

Moderator - **Noel Bakhtian**, ASME Congressional Fellow, 2012-13, U.S. Senate, Office of Sen. Jeanne Shaheen (D-NH)

**Kelly Visconti**, M.S., P.E., Technology Manager, Advanced Manufacturing Office - U.S. Department of Energy

**Sean M. Watts**, PhD, 2011-13 AAAS Science & Technology Policy Fellow, Energy, Environment and Agriculture Program, National Science Foundation

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**Friday, March 29, 2013 - Day #5 – Looking Ahead and Connecting the Dots**

8:00 Breakfast at SIW

9:00 – 10:15 **Conservation Funding and Working with Congress...Using the Best Science and Economics to Support our Environment**

**Alan Rowsome**, Director of Conservation Funding, The Wilderness Society

10:15 **Certificates, Debrief, Evaluations**

**Debbie Drake Dunne and Sherrie Taguchi**

11:30 Celebration Lunch (informal)

Lebanese Taverna, 2641 Connecticut Ave.

By 2:00 Wrap Up & Return to the Bay Area