

Flood forecasts to be focus of Nov. 2 environmental seminar

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The Rev. Dr. Eugene Wahl, assistant professor in the Division of Environmental Studies and Geology at Alfred University, will discuss the ethical considerations in the development and use of flood forecasts during the Nov. 2 Environmental Studies Seminar scheduled for 12:20 p.m. in Roon Lecture Hall, the Science Center, on campus. The seminar is open to the public, free of charge. Wahl teaches a range of survey, methods, and research courses. He also teaches in his specialty areas of climate change, environmental economics, and environmental philosophy/ethics. Wahl is also adjunct graduate professor of environmental ethics at St. Mary-of-the-Woods College, Indiana. His professional experience in environmental science and economics spans 20 years. Wahl has a doctorate in paleoecology, paleoclimatology, and conservation biology from the University of Minnesota, a master of divinity degree from the Graduate Theological Union, Berkeley, CA, and a master's degree in economics from San Diego State University. Wahl's research is focused in paleoclimatology and paleoecology. His work on past-millennium reconstruction of Northern Hemisphere temperatures is cited in national and international scientific summary documents. Wahl has briefed House and Senate staff members in this area. The Division of Environmental Studies at Alfred University sponsors the popular seminar series at each Friday during the fall semester, except Nov. 23, the Friday after Thanksgiving. Baked goods and other refreshments will be served during the program.