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Newsletter from the Misericordia University
Environmental Studies Program

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Events in October

We have partnered with Fine Arts for some important events. There are also Lunch and Learn opportunities for faculty and students to enjoy.

Social Media Connections

Subscribe to the new MU ENV Social Media pages for the latest information!

Invitation to Collaborate

ENV has an interdisciplinary nature and we are always looking for collaborative opportunities across the MU campus and beyond! Where do you fit in?



Hello from the Program Director

By Linda Auker, Ph.D., C.S.E.



Welcome to the first newsletter of the brand-new Misericordia Environmental Studies Program! I am pleased to offer to you this periodic summary of the great things that are going on with our students, staff, and faculty in this program. While things are just getting started, in October, we have some programming to celebrate Indigenous People's Day (Oct 11th) and to provide information to faculty and students during two lunch and learn sessions (Oct 13th and Oct 22nd, respectively).

We are also excited to announce that the first course in our series of major courses is ready for enrollment in Spring 2022! ENV 100 will be taught by Dr. Cosima Wiese and Dr. Brian Carso. Make sure you tell your students to sign up during registration so we can have a strong kick-off to this exciting new program!

I always welcome questions about the program. You can contact me at lauker@misericordia.edu. Happy reading!

MU ENV is on Social Media!

Follow Misericordia Environmental Studies events, news, and information on Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter! Connect with us!



Stop, Collaborate, and Listen!

As an interdisciplinary program, ENV is open to collaboration across many fields. As we are all part of this Mercy community, and paying special attention to the areas of Critical Concern, including the Environment, we can recognize that there is room for this program to grow, to reflect the importance of a clean environment in our general health and wellbeing. Please contact Dr. Linda Auker if you would like to talk about ways to collaborate!

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Attention faculty! If your students attend ENV programming for credit and write about their experience and you find it valuable for the greater public, please send it to Linda Auker for inclusion in a future edition of ENV @MU!

October Events

October 11: Pop-up exhibition of *One Fish Two Fish* by Artist Holly Wilson in Pauly Friedman Art Gallery (see picture on page 1 for a sneak peek!)

At 5:30, Dr. Laine Little, Director of the Art Gallery, and Dr. Linda Auker, ENV Program Director, will cohost a virtual Artist Talk with Holly Wilson. Wilson based in Oklahoma, and of Delaware Nation and Cherokee Heritage uses her art to tell stories, bringing "to life things sometimes kept secret, hidden, and not permitted to be said because they challenge the status quo." Learn more about the artist at hollywilson.com.

You can register for free and join the artist talk with this link: <https://tinyurl.com/MUHollyWilson>.



October 12: 5:30pm in Henry Science Center Room 275 – Screening of *Dawnland*, hosted by Dr. Ryan Watson, Fine Arts. *Dawnland* tells the stories of Native American children sent to residential schools as recently as the 1970s. More information can be found at dawnland.org. Audience members will be encouraged to join us for discussion after the screening.

October 13: 12:20pm in Insalaco 218 – Faculty Lunch and Learn about Environmental Studies. Light catering will be provided or you can bring your own lunch. MU ENV faculty will be present to answer questions about the new ENV major and minor.

October 22: 12:20pm in Henry Science Center 1st floor atrium – Student Lunch and Learn about Environmental Studies. Free pizza will be available for students as they talk to ENV faculty to learn about the offerings in the new ENV major and minor.