

REGISTRATION FORM:

Name: _____

Organization: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ Prov./State: _____ Postal/Zip Code: _____

Country: _____

Phone: _____ Fax: _____

Email: _____

Special dietary requirements: _____

Background*:

- Academia
 Industry
 Private Sector

- Government
 NGO's
 Other

What is your specialty discipline/area of work?

**This information will be used to assign breakout groups.*

FEES:

- \$400.00 (General)
 \$325.00 (ISEH Member)
 \$150 Student

Subtotal: _____

Accommodation Requested:

- Tuesday, June 10 \$35.00
 Wednesday, June 11 \$35.00
 Thursday, June 12 \$35.00

Subtotal: _____

All fees are inclusive of applicable taxes

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**Participants will receive a Plant and Go™ lapel pin and illustrated certificate from the Plant and Go™ program.*

Subtotal: _____

TOTAL: _____

PAYMENT:

Online registration is also available on the course website.

- Cheque enclosed (payable to The University of Western Ontario)

Please charge my*: Visa Mastercard

Card #: _____

Expiry Date: _____ (mm/yy)

Signature: _____

** Please note: a 2% processing fee will be charged for all credit card transactions*

Send (fax/mail) registration with payment to:

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3rd International Course in Ecosystem Health

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and the International Society for Ecosystem Health

ECOSYSTEM HEALTH

New Thinking for New Challenges

June 10-13, 2003

Huron University College

The University of Western Ontario

London, Ontario, Canada

Ecosystem health is a comprehensive and integrated approach, which reflects the health of the living and non-living world around us. It expands the traditional definitions of health, and recognises the critical links between human activity, ecological change, and health.

Transdisciplinary by nature, ecosystem health brings together the natural, social and health sciences and incorporates ecological, social, and economic perspectives with human health.

We can't solve problems by using the same kind of thinking we used when we created them.

— Albert Einstein

Join us for the 3rd installment of the **Expanding the Horizons of Health** series - an innovative program that considers health in its widest sense. Be a part of discovering the vital connections between politics, social structure, the physical environment, and health.

Ecosystem Health: New Thinking for New Challenges will expand on many of the themes discussed in earlier offerings, including complexity, uncertainty, transdisciplinarity, and interconnectiveness. The course will explore the changing nature of many of today's key ecosystem health issues and will address the need for new paradigms to meet these new challenges. The course will focus both on defining the problems facing humankind and developing realistic solutions to them.

Transdisciplinary by nature, this course will bring together participants from the natural, social, and health sciences to discuss the future direction of health as it applies to both humans and ecosystems. Breakout groups and expert insight will guide participants through the discussions, and a case study analysis will provide participants with experience in devising solutions to specific ecosystem problems.

COURSE OBJECTIVES:

1. To explore the principles of ecosystem health and the relationships between healthy ecosystems and healthy people.
2. To illustrate new approaches to complex problems and discuss solutions which enhance the ecosystem in which we live.
3. To consider current issues facing our society from an ecosystem health perspective, using the West Nile Virus as a case study to examine the interactions between ecosystem health and human health.
4. To examine the complexity and interconnectivity of ecosystem health through small and large group discussions.
5. To provide an environment where participants can consider a variety of ecosystem health issues and work together to develop achievable solutions.
6. To facilitate the opportunity for networking – the sharing of personal and professional interests as a catalyst for improved communication and potential collaboration.

COURSE STRUCTURE:

Participants will explore ecosystem health through a series of lectures, small and large group discussions and a case study analysis. The course will focus on the need for new directions and new methods for addressing many of the challenging issues facing us today. The opening half-day will provide participants with an overview of ecosystem health and the medical, social, and ecological concepts it embraces. Over the next two days guest speakers will introduce participants to several key areas including urban ecosystem health and emerging diseases. The small and large group discussions will allow participants to discuss these issues in greater detail while exploring the case study. This year's case study is focusing on the West Nile Virus and will examine not only the human health impacts, but also the social, ecological, and economic impacts that a community may face. The course concludes on Friday with a focus on "big picture thinking". Participants will wrap up their case study analysis by taking on stakeholder roles and participating in a Townhall Meeting on Friday afternoon.

The course is extremely interactive and participants should be prepared to take an active role in the discussions. A small amount of pre-course preparation is recommended, through assigned readings and independent research.

WHO SHOULD ATTEND THIS COURSE?

Those active in education, research, policy, or social change, who are concerned about the health of our ecosystems, and would like to develop their knowledge and understanding of ecosystem health.

REGISTRATION

Registration is open until May 16th, 2003 or until all spots are filled. Course participation is limited to 100 registrants, so register early to ensure your participation. Registration fees include all course materials, lunches, receptions, and group dinner. Registration is available online or by faxing or mailing the registration form.

- \$400 (General)
- \$325 (ISEH member)
- \$150 (Student)

ACCOMMODATION

On-site accommodation will be available at the Huron University College Residence at a rate of \$35 per night. This rate includes all applicable taxes, and a full breakfast. All rooms are single-rooms, dormitory style in an air-conditioned building. Linens (sheets, blanket, pillow, and towels) are provided. Suites of four singles rooms sharing one bathroom and a common area are available upon request. Please note that rooms do not have private telephones or data-line access. Pay phones and a computer lab for internet access are available. Information on other accommodation available in London can be found at www.londontourism.com.

CERTIFICATION

Participants will receive a certificate of attendance at the completion of the course. For physicians, please note that this event is an Accredited Group Learning Activity as defined by the Maintenance of Certification Program of The Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada.

PROGRAM

TUESDAY, JUNE 10	WEDNESDAY, JUNE 11	THURSDAY, JUNE 12	FRIDAY, JUNE 13
	8:00 - 9:00 am Late Registration	8:30 - 9:30 am Urban Ecosystem Health <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tee Guidotti, Environmental and Occupational Health, George Washington University Medical Center, USA 	8:30 - 9:30 am New Approaches for a Changing World <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Karen Kraft Sloan, Member of Parliament (York North), Government of Canada
	9:00 - 12:00 pm Opening Session Exploring Ecosystem Health <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ecosystem Health Team, Faculty of Medicine & Dentistry, University of Western Ontario, Canada • with special guests 	9:30 - 11:30 am <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Small group session 	9:30 - 12:00 pm <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Small group session
	<i>Lunch</i>	<i>Lunch</i>	<i>Lunch</i>
	1:00 - 2:00 pm Case Study Intro: West Nile Virus <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Robert Lannigan, Faculty of Medicine & Dentistry, University of Western Ontario, Canada • Bruce Hunter, Ontario Veterinary College, University of Guelph, Canada 	1:30 - 2:30 pm Emerging Diseases in Our Ecosystems <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Peter Daszak, Consortium for Conservation Medicine, USA 	1:00 - 2:00 pm <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Townhall meeting
	2:00 - 4:00 pm <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Small group session 	2:30 - 4:30 pm <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Small group session 	2:00 - 4:00 pm <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Course Summary and Evaluation
4:00 pm Registration and Room Check-in begins	4:00 - 5:00 pm <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Large group summary 	4:30 - 5:15 pm <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Large group summary 	
7:00 pm Opening Reception with guest speaker	5:00 - 6:30 pm Reception	7:00 pm Group Dinner	

For more information contact:

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