Welcome to the ERP598 seminar course in Applied Environmental Resources & Policy, where invited speakers from federal, state, and local agencies, non-governmental organizations, academic institutions, and ER&P faculty will present case studies on current environmental research, and interdisciplinary topics that reflect the science-policy interface. Additionally, students will be provided the opportunity to present their dissertation proposals and dissertations to colleagues for feedback during the overall dissertation defense process.

**Seminars:**

The class meets on Wednesdays from 4:00 – 4:50 each semester. The ERP598 committee, consisting of three ER&P students, will create the seminar schedule at the beginning of each semester. The schedule will be distributed to all ERP students and faculty and be posted on the ER&P website. There are two mandatory seminars given by the program director at the beginning of each semester. The fall semester is a Q&A and review of the ER&P program procedures and guidelines, and the spring semester’s topic will be about finding professional employment beyond the PhD. There will also be at least one interdisciplinary panel reflecting the diverse and interdisciplinary interest of various faculty within or outside campus. Students and faculty can nominate speakers using the attached form.

**Attendance and Missed Seminars:**

Students are required to enroll in ERP598 until they pass the comprehensive exams. While seminars do not occur every Wednesday, it is expected that the student manage their schedule and keep apprised of when and what dates seminars have been scheduled. A minimum of six seminars are required and at least four must be attended at the ERP598 class time. An ERP598 committee member must be notified in advance if a student cannot attend a seminar. Only two approved special seminars given by other departments may be counted as makeup seminars. Unexcused (no prior notification) absences cannot be made up. Non-traditional students (i.e., someone living more than 100 miles away) may attend seminars in their area for credit after approval from the committee or department.
ERP598 Seminar Guest Speaker Nomination Form

Your Name: ___________________________________________ Phone and Email: ______________________________________

Instructions:
1. Do not contact any speakers until the seminar committee has voted and selected desired candidates.
2. List speakers in order of preference.
3. Please return to Dana Wise at dwise@siu.edu.

1st Nomination
Speaker Name: _______________________________ Email: _______________________________
City, State: _______________________________ Phone: _______________________________
University & Dept., Agency, etc.: __________________________________________
Potential speaker’s research interests/possible topic(s) - web link if available:

Other possible funding sources (e.g., Geology, GENV, Center for Ecology, etc.)

Is travel/mileage required?  ☐ Yes ☐ No
Does the speaker need/require an honorarium?  ☐ Yes ☐ No
Would you be willing to host and/or house this speaker?  ☐ Host ☐ House ☐ Neither

2nd Nomination
Speaker Name: _______________________________ Email: _______________________________
City, State: _______________________________ Phone: _______________________________
University & Dept., Agency, etc.: __________________________________________
Potential speaker’s research interests/possible topic(s) (or web link if applicable):

Other possible funding sources (e.g., Geology, GENV, Center for Ecology, etc.)

Is travel/mileage required?  ☐ Yes ☐ No
Does the speaker need/require an honorarium?  ☐ Yes ☐ No
Would you be willing to host and/or house this speaker?  ☐ Host ☐ House ☐ Neither

Any other information/instructions: