



### **What's The Scoop?**

✨ Summer may be ending, but the calendar is filling fast, here's your Scoop on everything coming up!

### **Schiller Team Member Spotlight**



### **Meet Erik Sjostrom!**

Erik is the Fiscal and Administrative Assistant for the Schiller Institute for Integrated Science and Society, since joining in 2022. Erik enjoys supporting the ambitious mission of the Schiller Institute, especially when students are involved.

At home, Erik is getting accustomed to his two sons being away at college and far too much time has shifted to the family dog.

While living in Massachusetts for over 20 years, he still claims allegiance to the Philadelphia Eagles (Superbowl XXXIX was tough), enjoys old-man soccer, the occasional snowboarding trip, or

anything outside. Prior to Boston College, Erik held various roles with Harvard University Health Services, coordinating wellness offerings for students, faculty and staff. Erik is a proud graduate of Davidson College.



Meet the rest of our Team!

## Upcoming Schiller Institute Events

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## CONFERENCE: Environmental Ethics in Dialogue

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### Exploring Ethics, Science, and the Future of Our Planet

How can philosophy and science team up to tackle the environmental crisis? Join us for a dynamic conference that dives into urgent questions of climate change, pollution, and biodiversity loss, through the lens of both ethics and science. The conference will explore how dialogue across disciplines can spark practical and just solutions to today's most pressing challenges.

This conference is paired with the **Lowell Humanities Lecture Series** talk by Prof. Melissa Lane: *Plato's Republic on Motivating Ecological Guardianship*.

✨ **Free and open to all students, faculty & community members** ✨

For more information on the schedule of events (including lunch) click [here](#).

Registration Encouraged





Want to get involved in research, but not sure where to start? Come to the **Schiller Student Board's research 101 event!** This event is for students of all majors who want to learn more about the basics of research at BC.

🌍 Climate Is Every Story 🌍

We must never forget that the natural environment is a collective good, the patrimony of all humanity and the responsibility of everyone.

- Pope Francis, *Laudato Si'*, 2015

# CLIMATE IS EVERY STORY

A FOUR-PART EVENT SERIES ON CLIMATE  
JOURNALISM

PUBLIC HEALTH, COMMON GOOD

12:00PM-1:00PM | OCTOBER 1, 2025 SCHILLER INSTITUTE  
CONVENING SPACE (RM 501) 245 BEACON LUNCH TO FOLLOW

Moderated by Patrick McGroarty ('06), Economy Editor, The New York Times

The Panel Features:

- Journalist Jason Beaubien, National Public Radio Correspondent;
- Professor Summer Hawkins, School of Social Work and Associate Director of the Program for Global Public Health and the Common Good; and
- Professor Praveen Kumar, School of Social Work.



[Register here!](#)

**Public Health, Common Good**  
**October 1, 2025 | 12-1 PM | Schiller**  
**Institute Convening Space (245 Beacon,**  
**Room 501)**

Kick off the year-long **Climate Is Every Story** series with a conversation on climate and public health. Journalist **Patrick McGroarty** (BC '06, Economy Editor at *The New York Times*) will moderate a panel with NPR Correspondent **Jason Beaubien**, and BC faculty experts, **Prof. Summer Hawkins** and **Prof. Praveen Kumar** on how climate change intersects with health, policy, and the common good.

## UPCOMING CAMPUS EVENTS



### Global Picnic @ BC

Come celebrate BC's international community at the **Global Picnic**! Enjoy delicious food, fun lawn games, performances from student orgs, and a photo booth to capture the memories. Bring your friends, make new ones, and join us in welcoming Eagles from around the world.

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**Make an Impact!**



**Resistance Unbound: Technologies of Imagination in the Public Square** From “Stop the Steal” to “Bharat Jodo,” movements of resistance are reshaping how societies imagine knowledge, justice, and governance. The **6th GRiSTS conference** explores how ruptures in the public square challenge authority, unsettle trust, and open possibilities for new forms of collective life.

**Share your ideas at GRiSTS 2025!** The Sixth Annual Graduate Research in STS Conference will be held **Oct. 16–18** at Harvard Kennedy School. Abstracts (300 words) are **due Sept. 19**. Submit yours today and join the conversation on

science,  
tech, and society!

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