

What's The Scoop?

Hello! It's Greg filling in for Magali (feel better soon!). That means less witty content, but lots of good information to share nonetheless. As Kaley likes to say, we're rockin' it in this week's edition of *The Scoop*.

What is COP?

We talk about COP a lot, but I figured some of our readers might benefit from a bit more context. I thought Claire Brown in a recent Climate Forward newsletter for *The New York Times* provided a great summary:

"World leaders have gathered in Brazil for COP30, this year's global climate summit. Basically, it's the World Cup of negotiations over global warming.

The venue is still under construction, with exposed plywood and plastic-wrapped exhibits around the site, David Gelles reported from Belém, the city on the edge of the Amazon where the talks will unfold over the next two weeks.

It was 10 years ago, at COP21 near Paris, that nearly every country committed to the goal of limiting global warming to 1.5 degrees Celsius, or 2.7 degrees Fahrenheit, compared with preindustrial times.

Today, the 1.5-degree target is all but out of reach. Even two degrees is looking less and less likely.

So what's in store for this year's negotiations? Gelles walks us through the basics.

In short: Brazil's leaders are hoping to wrangle funding commitments from wealthy nations to help address climate change in developing countries. The broader goal (as ever) is to turn various climate pledges into action."

Whether the explainer above piqued your interest or you already know the power of a comma in international climate negotiations, you have the opportunity to hear directly from BC students and faculty who are in Brazil during our Broadcasts from Belem events. The first broadcast is tomorrow at 4 PM!

We'll have another broadcast with our Week 2 crew next Thursday (11/20). Reminder to follow the <u>Schiller</u> <u>Instagram</u> for additional content from the delegates - nice posts today, Hana!

Breaking News



HOT OFF THE PRESS



WHAT'S THE SCOOP IN BELÉM?

Hear from BC delegates as they share their experiences on-theground in Belém, Brazil.

Join to find out why the question "How many tables did you have to flip?" was part of the Week 1 WhatsApp chat.



BC DELEGATES HEAD TO COP30

21 BC faculty, students, and staff will attend the two week conference.

YOU'RE INVITED!



REFRESHMENTS PROVIDED

Our Poet Laureate

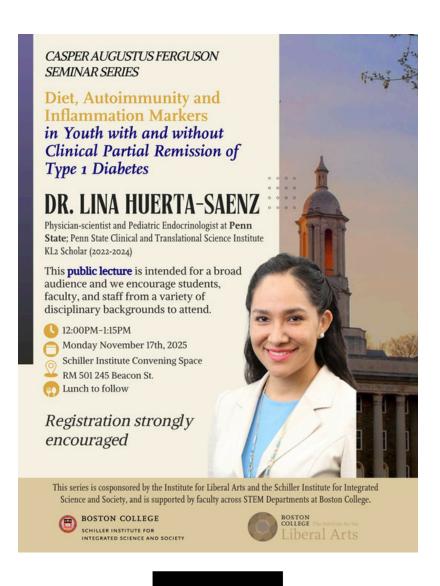
Jesse Julian's latest poem - "Climate Is." - is inspired by two major events this week: COP30 right by the

Amazon, and the continuation of the Climate Is Every Story series.

"COP30 in Brazil, the major global summit negotiating solutions to climate change, marks a major event for environmentalists worldwide—and an especially exciting week for Schiller's delegates attending the conference! This coincides with the continuation of BC's Climate Is Every Story series, where panelists focus on the dire importance of climate journalism. This week in particular discusses climate journalism as local news coverage. I mixed the ideas of these discussions occurring both abroad and on our own campus, starting each stanza like a standout headline with some variant of "Climate is." I address the obstacle of news exhaustion, the proximity of the climate crisis, and the relevance of every story."

-- Jesse Julian

Upcoming Schiller Institute Events



Register here!

Help BC Become a More Sustainable Place!



<u>Fill out this survey</u> to provide valuable feedback on BC Dining sustainability initiatives. Submit by 12/2 to be entered in a raffle for the Jellycat to the right!

The survey was created by Eagle Eats, <u>winners of the 2024</u> <u>Eagles Sustainability Competition</u>, who are continuing to develop the app that they pitched at the competition.

Eagle Eats BC Dining Focus Group

Want free dinner to provide even more feedback? <u>Sign up</u> to participate in a focus group dedicated to better understanding behaviors in the dining hall and ways to incentivize students to engage in sustainability programs.

When: Tuesday, December 2nd, 6:00 - 7:15PM Where: MiniMart (2nd floor of Lower Dining)

New Art Exhibit: Talking on Eggshells



As an interdisciplinary artist, Professor Shelley K. White (she/her), uses mixed-media visual arts and community-based practices to create layered imagery that challenges systems and cultures that render people and our planet disposable. Her arts practice is synergistic with her teaching and scholarship as an Associate Professor of the Practice in Global Public Health and the Common Good at Boston College. Below she describes "Talking on Eggshells," which was created with students in PHCG3600: Health Inequities.

"This participatory art installation emerged from a creative workshop focused on the difficulty of dialogue in divisive times. Participants explored how deepening political divides, censorship of speech and science, cancel culture, and even self-censorship based on our fears of imperfection work together to curtail the risk-taking necessary for generative civil dialogue. In essence, we are "talking on eggshells," if we are talking at all. Together, we recalled heated dialogues we have encountered and the things we wish we had said, or wish we could say next time. We then decorated eggshells with these phrases and imagery to represent how things feel amid tense or foreshortened conversation. We used natural and homemade inks from walnut, turmeric, blackberry, basil, hibiscus, and other plants, and the resulting display will be composted in springtime, representing the generative potential of processing past tensions toward transformative possibilities. Toward this aim, a skillsbased workshop followed, where we practiced using the ACT framework (Affirm-Counter-Transform) developed

by the Center for Social Inclusion/Race Forward, honing our own toolkit for transformative social change."

"Talking on Eggshells" is on display outside the Schiller Institute Convening Space (Room 501, 245 Beacon St). Come check it out! *Photo credit: Gavin Conway*.

The Cherry On Top

a sweet extra we thought you'd enjoy

Schiller Staff x Halloween

Magali organized our Halloween festivities this year. Each student and staff member in the office had to dress and act like a randomly assigned colleague. I'll admit that I was late that day, so I missed the group pic.





Let us know what content you'd like to see featured in *The Scoop*, including fun opportunities you've had relating to environment, health, energy and more!

Reply to this email for a chance to be featured!

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