

# CANRI Newsletter Winter 2021

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Community & Natural Resource Institute  
UtahStateUniversity.

## CANRI NEWS WINTER 2021

### GENERAL NEWS

- CANRI has created a google group listserv where CANRI-wide information can be shared. Moving forward CANRI related information can be shared through the listserv by the institute and members. The listserv email is [canri-mail@googlegroups.com](mailto:canri-mail@googlegroups.com). Please check your inbox for the notice you were added. If you need to be added, please get in touch with the CANRI Program Assistant at [jordan.hammon@usu.edu](mailto:jordan.hammon@usu.edu).
- The new CANRI Website is up! <https://chass.usu.edu/sociology/canri/index>

### CALL FOR PUBLICATIONS

CANRI would like to invite all members to provide information about their publications from the past year (January 2021-present) to be showcased on our site. Please include the title, journal, authors, and publication date. Please email information to [jordan.hammon@usu.edu](mailto:jordan.hammon@usu.edu).

### FALL 2021 EVENT RECAP

#### FALL LEAVES HIKE @ RIVERSIDE NATURE TRAIL 10/22/2021



#### GUEST SPEAKER ALAN MATHESON 11/4/2021



#### DR. JULIA CLARK - NOMAD SCIENCE 12/4/2021



### UPCOMING EVENTS

- Friday 01/21/2022: (1 pm) Snowshoeing Social
- Thursday 02/24/2022: (1 pm) Guest Speaker Dr. Jennifer Sherman on her book *Dividing Paradise*
- Thursday 02/24/2022: (4:30 pm) Guest Speaker: Dr. Anjali Mulchandani on Atmospheric Water Harvesting for the Navajo Reservation
- Thursday 03/17/2022 (1 pm) Guest Speaker Dr. Judson Finley on his research related to the geological interface with Native history of the West
- Thursday 4/14/2021 (12 pm) Guest Speaker Dr. Rinaldo Tosie on Water Quality Research and Indigenous Knowledge
- Thursday 04/21/2022: (12 pm) Guest Speaker Dan Williams on Improving Climate Resilience in Resource Dependent Communities

### NEW AFFILIATED INSTITUTES



- Ecology Center & CAS  
<https://www.usu.edu/ecology/>
- GNAR  
<https://www.usu.edu/gnar/index>

### Student Spotlight



Kristen Koci is a Doctoral Candidate in the Department of Sociology at Utah State University (USU). At USU, Kristen has worked with Dr. Courtney Flint on various projects including the Water Reuse Project studying perceptions of treated wastewater quality and human health risks associated with exposure to treated wastewater; the Utah Wellbeing Project surveying Utahns about their perceived wellbeing, and a project exploring perceptions of children's health and safety risks posed by irrigation water in Northern Utah. Kristen is currently working on a project with Dr. Jessica Ulrich-Schad exploring mental health and suicide trends, as well as contributing factors to poor mental health and suicide deaths, in rural natural resource-dependent places in Utah. For her particular research, Kristen's focus is on rural mental health. She is examining how people from different types of rural natural resource-dependent places in Utah perceive mental health in their communities, including how barriers (such as mental health stigma) and access to mental health care influence mental health. Along with this, Kristen is exploring how mental health and wellbeing vary throughout the state of Utah more generally, looking at how individuals across the rural-urban continuum differ in their perspectives on mental health and wellbeing. Throughout this research, Kristen is assessing needed solutions or resources for addressing mental health issues in rural, natural resource dependent places, and exploring how Extension faculty working with rural communities view the opportunities and challenges in relation to tackling mental health problems.

As a graduate student, Kristen encourages others to pursue their interests and hopes you all remember to carve out time in your busy schedules to rest!

#### DOCTORAL STUDENT EDEM AVEMEGAH PRESENTING HIS RESEARCH ON SENSE OF PLACE AT THE SOIL SCIENCE SOCIETY OF AMERICA IN SALT LAKE CITY



If you would like to include something in the next newsletter please contact Program Assistant Jordan Hammon at [jordan.hammon@usu.edu](mailto:jordan.hammon@usu.edu).