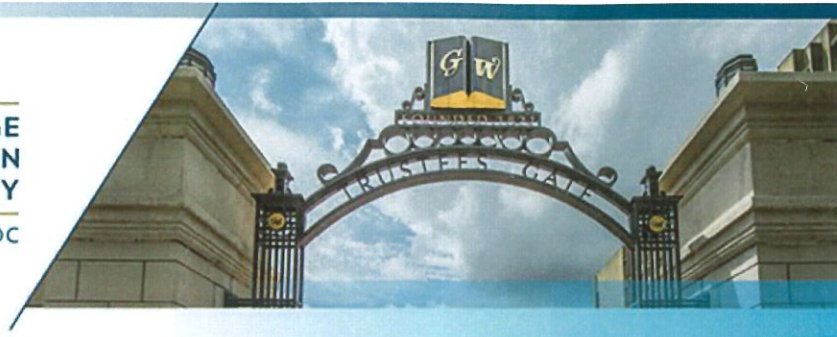


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## WATER: PROBLEMS AND POSSIBILITIES

An Interdisciplinary Conference at the Elliott School of International Affairs

March 22, 2019

### CALL FOR PROPOSALS

As water and waterways connect distant human populations, so too does water provide a thematic link between disparate scholarly disciplines. To better understand the water-related challenges facing states and populations and to promote interdisciplinary collaboration within the university, the Elliott School of International Affairs will host an interdisciplinary conference on **Water: Problems and Possibilities** on **March 22, 2019**.

The Elliott School invites proposals for presentations that deal with the subject of water, broadly defined. How can responsible and efficient water management help to prevent or resolve international and domestic conflicts? How can international water regimes help ease or exacerbate disputes between states and populations? How can new technological solutions help solve problems related to water management and cooperation?

We seek conference participants from a wide range of disciplines, including but not limited to: biology, engineering, gender studies, medicine, geography, business, law, history, political science, public health, and security studies. Presentations may address (but are not limited to) the following topics:

- Access to clean water supplies
- Political conflicts over access to water
- Water management systems
- Pollution and conservation
- Water transport and safety
- Impacts of environmental change on water supply and use

The goals of the conference are to discuss past, present, and/or future research projects and to encourage interdisciplinary collaboration within the university. The conference will feature two types of presentations in two separate sessions. The first session will consist of 15-20 minute presentations of research findings from completed or ongoing work. The second session will focus on research ideas in their formative stages and will consist of 5-7 minute presentations with lengthier discussions following. Assigned discussants will provide comments and questions for each session and will moderate a robust discussion with the audience.

We ask that faculty interested in participating in the conference please send presentation proposals to [esiaresearch@gwu.edu](mailto:esiaresearch@gwu.edu) on or before **February 11, 2019**. (Proposals should be in PDF format and no more than one page in length.) Questions and inquiries may be directed to Graham Cornwell, Assistant Dean of Research, at [ghcornwell@gwu.edu](mailto:ghcornwell@gwu.edu).