

Are you concerned about global warming and the climate crisis, and looking for solutions that involve people of all ages?

If your answer is "yes," then please join others from around the world for a free, live, expert-led Internet webinar about how different generations can work together for climate solutions.

"What Do We Tell the Kids, and What Are they Telling Us? --Generational Perspectives and the Climate Crisis."

Thursday, October 22, 2020, from 6:00 to 8:00 PM USET

To reserve a space in this Zoom-based program, <u>please register now</u>. If you are unable to attend, a recording will be available. This exciting national webinar will feature two expert presenters:

Dana R. Fisher, PhD, is a dynamic speaker and author. She is a Professor in the Department of Sociology and Director of the Program for Society and the Environment at the University of Maryland. Her research explores democracy, civic participation, activism, and environmental policymaking, with recent studies focusing on the youth climate movement and the American Resistance. Media appearances include CNN, MSNBC, PBS Newshour, and programs on BBC and NPR. She has authored more than sixty research papers and book chapters. American Resistance: from the Women's March to the Blue Wave (Columbia University Press 2019) is her sixth book.





Danielle F. Lawson, PhD, is an Assistant Professor of Recreation, Park, and Tourism Management and Science Education at Penn State University. Her interests include environmental education, intergenerational learning, and social justice. **Her ground-breaking study,** "Children can foster climate change concern among their parents," was recently published in the journal Nature Climate Change.

Host: WV3C staff Ash Cutright has a BS In Atmospheric Science from Penn State World Campus. They are the current President of Morgantown Pride, student representative for the American Meteorology Society's Board of Early Career Professionals, and serves on the Morgantown Human Rights Commission.

Discussion Leader Sarah Cross is Campaigns Coordinator for the West Virginia Rivers Coalition. Sarah earned a BA in Environmental Studies at the University of Montana, an MS in Agriculture from West Virginia University, and a PhD in Science Education from Ohio University.

Why is the "Climate Generations" webinar topic so important and timely?

Our society's children are encountering a global emergency that they did not create — yet it is precisely their future that is most at stake. Young people worldwide are urgently calling for climate action. Adults -- parents and non-parents alike -- are increasingly aware of the severity and urgency of global warming and the climate crisis. Older people realize that despite their best efforts, they will inescapably leave behind a deeply compromised planetary future. For all these "climate generations" -- what strategies support hope and positive action? How can understanding different generational perspectives lead to better climate solutions?

Addressing these important issues is the goal of the October 22, 2020 "Climate Generations" webinar. Please join us to hear live expert presentations about what we know, and what we need to learn, about generational perspectives on the climate crisis -- and share your comments and questions. We expect substantial interest in this timely webinar -- to assure a space, please register now. You will receive an e-mail acknowledgment with a Zoom link to the October 22 program (check spam folder). Unless requested otherwise, reminder emails will be sent before the program. If you are unable to attend, a recording, slides, and links to scientific references will be available.

This webinar is organized by the <u>West Virginia Center on Climate Change</u> (WV3C), a project of <u>Friends</u> of <u>Blackwater</u>, in partnership with the <u>West Virginia Rivers Coalition</u> and the <u>WV Citizen Action Education Fund</u>. **Please share this announcement with climate-concerned friends and colleagues of all generations!** For more information, contact Ash Cutright, West Virginia Center on Climate Change, <u>ashebcutright@gmail.com</u>, 304-376-0702; or Emmie Cornell, Friends of Blackwater, <u>emmie@saveblackwater.org</u>, 304-345-7663.







