

Title: Race and Environmental Justice in the Great Lakes Region

Presenter: Matthew Lindholm

Time(s): 11:15am - 12:15pm and 3:00pm - 4:00pm

Location: Bishop Whipple 144

Session Format: Presentation with Q&A

Session Learning Outcomes:

1. Increased understanding of the current, ongoing, deeply unjust health and other effects of racial residential segregation in Great Lakes region cities
2. Increase awareness of how Justice Journeys can help Concordia students find points of solidarity with communities affected by environmental injustice

Session Description:

During spring break 2019, Julieana Wallenstein and Jack Fischer traveled with other students on a Justice Journey to Chicago, Detroit, and Flint, Michigan. They will share their experiences learning about race and environmental justice in these large de-industrializing cities near the southern shores of the Great Lakes.

Faculty member Matthew Lindholm has been teaching the processes driving racial segregation and health and economic injustice in U.S. cities for 18 years in his sociology course, "Urban Communities." He will provide background on race relations in these cities and its intersection with environmental injustice, emphasizing the drinking water scandal in Flint MI that made national news in 2016.