Faculty Spotlight:
Jonathan Doh, PhD, Herbert G. Rammrath Endowed Chair in International Business and Faculty Director, Center for Global Leadership

In this interview series we will bring you inside the world of Villanova’s professors and explore how their work relates to creating a sustainable future. In this issue, we hear from Dr. Jonathan Doh, an accomplished Professor in the Villanova School of Business.

What is your academic background?
I completed my undergraduate degree in History at SUNY-Plattsburgh, my masters in Political Science at the Rockefeller College of Public Affairs and Policy at SUNY-Albany, and my PhD in Business Administration at The George Washington University. My dissertation integrated strategic management, public policy and international business to analyze foreign investments in emerging market telecommunication during a period of privatization and liberalization.

How long have you been teaching at Villanova?
I have been at Villanova since 2001, and currently serve as the Herbert G. Rammrath Endowed Chair in International Business, and as the Director for the Center for Global Leadership. Additionally, outside of Villanova, I am currently serving as Chair of the Organizations and Natural Environment Division of the Academy of Management, the largest professional association of management scholars with over 16,000 members.

In your own words, how would you define sustainability and why is it important to you?
I like the simple definition that focuses on making decisions today that considers and stewards the future. I have always enjoyed the outdoors, and derive spiritual stimulation from nature. I subscribe to Emerson’s view of humanity, spirituality and nature which positions the spiritual and natural worlds as integrated. Also, I have small children and obviously want them to be able to experience the earth in all its beauty.

What is your current research focused on?
While I typically have 6-8 projects going on concurrently, I continue to be interested in corporate-NGO collaboration and interaction. I have also become interested in inequality and the forces that contribute to - and alleviate - it.

Do you collaborate with others for your research?
I collaborate with scholars - from PhD students to senior folks - from all around the world. These are mostly in business schools but not always.
Do you incorporate sustainability into the courses you teach?
Yes! I developed a new course on Global Sustainability Management that won a national award for curricular development. I also write cases for my international management text - which I also use in my own classes - and many of these have sustainability themes. For example, I have one on Chiquita and its turn toward sustainability. I am a big fan of interactive simulations and I have developed several of these related to GMO labeling, access to essential medicines, Dansko shoes and others.

If you could create one course out of thin air, what would it be?
A design course that focuses on sustainability, business and the arts in a global context.

What are your favorite outside of the office activities?
I enjoy listening to and playing music, especially alternative rock. I am an amateur musician and singer that performs occasionally, I can play guitar, bass and drums. I also enjoy being outside hiking, biking or cross country skiing. I am also an avid traveler, and have visited more than 50 countries around the world.

Villanova is now certified as a BEE Protective Habitat, by the Center for Food Safety and Beyond Pesticides. We have agreed to not use pesticides inside or outside a building that contain the toxic neonicotinoid compounds. Additionally, Villanova continues to choose plantings that are attractive to pollinators. This certification is an acknowledgment of the great work already being done by the Villanova Grounds Department.

PESC Student Application Open
Apply today to be a member of the President’s Environmental Sustainability Committee (PESC) Student working group. As a member of PESC you will be tasked with moving forward campus sustainability efforts, including meeting our goal of carbon neutrality by 2050. The Student working group addresses campus sustainability concerns as it relates to students. Past projects have included Nova Bike Share, Campus Sustainability Day, Earth Day of Service, and more. Members of the Student Working Group have the opportunity to lead projects, create new initiatives, and partner with faculty and staff across the University. Apply today! Applications are due by Wednesday, March 2.
EVENTS

Friday, February 5
VCASE Lecture Series “Formation and Control of Disinfection Byproducts”
CEER 205, 2:00-3:00PM

Tuesday, February 9
“The Environmental Fate of the Second Most Abundant Polymer on Earth- Lignin”
Dr. Patrick Hatcher from Old Dominion University
Mendel 154, 4:30PM

Thursday, February 11
“This Changes Everything” documentary viewing
Friends Center (Philadelphia), 5:30PM

Tuesday, February 16
Care for our Common Home series: “Jesus, Buddha, and Care for Creation”
Dougherty West Lounge, 12:00PM

Thursday, February 18
GreenLab Workshop - bring your laptop as we go through the certification
Mendel 103, 11:30-1:30- food will be provided, please register

Ongoing
Environmental Issues Seminar Series, Spring 2016
See attachment

OPPORTUNITIES

Graduating this spring? Here are a few job opportunities you might want to consider:

Environment American Fellow or Campaign Organizer

Green Corps

See attachments for more information on both opportunities.
Save the Date: VCASE Lecture Series
Feb 5th, CEER 205, 2:00 pm to 3:00 pm.

VCASE presents “Formation and Control of Disinfection Byproducts,” by Yuefeng Xie, Ph.D., P.E., BCEE, and IWA Fellow, Professor of Environmental Engineering, The Pennsylvania State University

Abstract

The presentation will discuss the formation and control of disinfection byproducts (DBPs) in drinking water and swimming pools, comparison of DBP regulatory compliance between US and China, and DBP compliance technologies.

Dr. Yuefeng Xie received his BS, MS and PhD degrees from Tsinghua University, Beijing, China. A registered Professional Engineer and Board Certified Environmental Engineer, he co-founded Small Public Water Systems Technology Assistance Center and Environmental Training Center at Penn State Harrisburg. His research interests include emerging contaminant analysis and control, water disinfection and disinfection byproducts, rapid sand/membrane filtration, and other physical chemical biological water treatment processes. He received a number of honors and awards, including the 2014 Penn State University Faculty Outreach award, the 2010 Fulbright scholar award, the 2012 Fellow recognition from the International Water Association, and the 2010 “Thousand Talents Program” award from the Chinese Central Government.

The talk will be recorded and archived. Visit www.villanova.edu/vcase and go to Lecture Series to view all the previous talks.
Save the Date
Join PSR Philadelphia and NEHA for
a civil salon examining the nexus between climate change and economics including a discussion and screening of “This Changes Everything”

WHEN: Thursday, February 11
WHERE: Friends Center
1501 Cherry Street
TIME: 5:15 Mix and mingle
5:30 Program and Movie
For more info: psrphila.org

Discussion and Film: This Changes Everything

“Klein and Lewis paint a picture of a post-fossil-fueled, post-capitalist future that seems not only within reach, but like a place where we actually want to live”
—YES Magazine

Directed by Avi Lewis, and inspired by Naomi Klein's international non-fiction bestseller This Changes Everything, the film presents seven powerful portraits of communities on the front lines, from Montana’s Powder River Basin to the Alberta Tar Sands, from the coast of South India to Beijing and beyond.

Interwoven with these stories of struggle is Klein’s narration, connecting the carbon in the air with the economic system that put it there. Throughout the film, Klein builds to her most controversial and exciting idea: that we can seize the crisis of climate change to transform our current economic system into something radically better.

Sponsored by Physicians for Social Responsibility-Philadelphia
and the National Environmental Health Association.
Representatives from “Be the Change” will be present.

THERE IS NO CHARGE FOR THIS EVENT. POPCORN WILL BE PROVIDED.
Care for our Common Home
Multi-faith Views on Climate Justice

Spring 2016

January 19

Dispatch from the Paris Climate Summit
Anthony Giancatarino
Director of Policy and Strategy, The Center for Social Inclusion, NY
12:45–2:00 | St. Rita Community Room

February 16

Jesus, Buddha, and Care for Creation
Fr. Robert Kennedy, SJ, Roshi
Jesuit Priest and Zen Teacher, Morning Star Zendo, Jersey City, NJ
12–1 Presentation | 11–11:30 Sitting 1 | 1:15–1:45 Sitting 2
Dougherty West Lounge

March 17

Climate, Race and Justice: A Quaker Response
Eileen Flanagan
Quaker Activist and Author of Renewable: One Woman’s Search for Simplicity,
Faithfulness and Hope
11:30–1:00 | St. Rita Community Room

April 7

Laudato Si and the Jewish Sages: Reflections on Climate Justice
Rabbi Daniel Swartz, Temple Hessed, Clark’s Summit, PA
Chair, Pennsylvania Interfaith Power and Light
11:30–1:00 | St. Rita Community Room

Light Lunch provided

ACS Approved
Cultural Event

www.villanova.edu/campusministry

CAMPUSMINISTRY
We search together.
Monday, January 11
Dr. Andrew Wozniak
Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry, Old Dominion University

Wednesday, January 20
“Particulate Air Pollution and Health Effects”
Dr. Kabindra Shakya
Department of Environmental Health Science, University of Massachusetts Amherst

Friday January 29
“Land, Sea, and the State: Coastal Land Reclamation in Transforming China”
Dr. Young Rae Choi
Department of Geography, Ohio State University

Wednesday February 3
“Hydrologic Variability and Responses to Climate and Land Use Change from the Himalayas to the Amazonian River Basin”
Dr. Prajjwal Panday
Geography, Clark University

Wednesday February 10
“The Value of Urban Ecosystem Services: A Spatially-Explicit Multicriteria Analysis of New York City’s Landscape”
Dr. Peleg Kremer
Department of Geography & the Environment, Villanova University

Monday February 15
“Species Distribution in the Age of Big Environmental Data – Case Studies of Diversity and Distribution Shift of North American Birds”
Qiongyu Huang
Geographical Sciences, University of Maryland

Monday February 22
“Changes in the U.S. Tornado Disaster Landscape”
Stephen Strader
Department of Geography, Northern Illinois University
BE AN ENVIRONMENT AMERICA FELLOW OR CAMPAIGN ORGANIZER

Imagine yourself organizing a town hall meeting on solar power. Or imagine releasing a hard-hitting research report on power plant pollution. Or picture yourself building a community coalition around clean water or fracking. Imagine building the organizational power—the funds, the membership, the activist base and so on—that it takes to keep all of this critical work going for the long haul.

All of this is what you do as an Environment America fellow. Because this is how we build the support it takes to reduce global warming pollution, create more solar and wind power, spare our parks and forests from fracking, keep our beaches, rivers and streams clean, and protect our wildlife and wild places. Is it easy? No, we’re up against some wily opponents who are incredibly well-funded. Is it rewarding? Absolutely. And given global warming, fracking and all of the tough problems we’re facing right now, can you imagine doing anything more urgent and meaningful?

Locations: Available nationally. If you’re flexible, you can apply for multiple locations.

BE A DIGITAL CAMPAIGNER

Work with one of our campaign teams to run a powerful digital campaign to help solve global warming, expand solar energy or protect clean water.

You’ll write emails and campaign actions that you’ll send to hundreds of thousands of supporters; design and curate content for social media, and engage with our national community; coordinate with our field team of five to nine campaign organizers, and back them up with emails, web pages and digital strategy; develop partnerships and creative online tactics to build our audience and raise money; analyze the results of your work, and report on successes and failures; and keep your projects on track, hold people accountable to their deliverables, and communicate regularly with your team.

Location: Denver, CO.

SALARY & BENEFITS

The target annual compensation for this position is $25,500 in the first year. Staff in their second year receive a raise which averages $1500. Environment America offers a competitive benefits package. We also offer an excellent training program and opportunities for advancement.

TO LEARN MORE AND APPLY

jobs.environmentamerica.org
Green Corps is looking for college graduates who are ready to take on the biggest environmental challenges of our day. At Green Corps, we believe there are actually plenty of solutions to these problems, but what’s lacking is political will on behalf of decision makers. That’s why right now, what we really need is more Organizers – people who understand the power of public support and know how to mobilize it.

In Green Corps’ yearlong paid program, you’ll get intensive training in the skills you need to make a difference in the world. You’ll get hands-on experience fighting to solve urgent environmental problems — climate change, deforestation, water pollution, factory farming and many others — with groups like Sierra Club and Food & Water Watch. And when you graduate from Green Corps, we’ll help you find a career with one of the nation’s leading environmental and social change groups.

For more information, read on or visit www.greencorps.org/apply

In your year with Green Corps:

Be trained by the best: Green Corps organizers take part in trainings with leading figures in the environmental and social change movements: people like Adam Ruben, former political director and current board president of MoveOn.org, and Bill McKibben, author and founder of 350.org.

Learn new skills: Green Corps will teach you to recruit and train activists and volunteers, build coalitions, organize events and gain media coverage, and much more—all of the skills it takes to build public support for our environment.
Gain experience across the country: Green Corps sends organizers to jumpstart campaigns for groups such as Food & Water Watch, Corporate Accountability International, and The Wilderness Society, in major cities to small towns across the country.

Make an impact on today’s environmental challenges: A team of Green Corps organizers helped run a publicity campaign that persuaded Kellogg’s Cereal to pressure its supplier of palm oil to stop destroying tropical forests. Other Green Corps organizers have played critical roles in the retirement of over a dozen coal-fired power plants on the Sierra Club’s Beyond Coal campaign.

Get paid! Green Corps organizers earn a salary of $25,500. We also offer a generous benefits package.

Launch your career: Green Corps will help connect you to environmental and progressive groups that are looking for full-time staff to build their organizations and help them create social change and protect our environment.

The Application Process: In the next few months, we’ll invite 35 college graduates to join Green Corps in 2016-2017. We’re looking for people who are serious about saving the planet, people who have taken initiative on their campus or community, and people who are willing to roll up their sleeves and work for change over the long haul.

If you think you’re one of those people, visit www.greencorps.org to apply.

Green Corps’ yearlong program begins in August 2016 with Introductory Classroom Training and continues with field placements in multiple locations across the U.S. Candidates must be willing to relocate.

For more information, visit www.greencorps.org or contact Amanda Becker, Recruitment Director of Green Corps at jobs@greencorps.org.