

"Global Warming/Climate Change" from a Critical Perspective

— Lectures, Interviews, Workshops, Publications, Research Projects. Classes —

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I am a physicist/educator who has been engaged in activities to inform members of academia and other citizens about the nature of the widespread alarmist claims of anthropogenic "global warming/climate change" and of the dangers of accepting such claims. Below is a list of my recent work. More information about such activities, as well as other information about me, can be found on my website.

INTERVIEWS

1. Radio interview "Global Warming/Climate Change" phone interview on the Ray Dunaway show (WTIC; 1080 AM; 12/14/09)

<http://podcast.wtic.com/wtic/2108939.mp3>

2. Radio interview on the Sandy Rios Show (Chicago):

http://www.culturecampaign.com/WYLL%20archive/Sandy_Rios_WYLL080723b_16kbs.mp3

Download MP3 Wed 07/23/2008 Hour #2: Laurence I. Gould, [Professor of Physics](#) [website], University of Hartford, re: injecting [science and logic](#) [Science & Public Policy website] into the Global Warming debate.

[I love the phrase "injecting science and logic into the Global Warming debate" ---- looks like they got my message.]

3. TV interview (Connecticut) which was Fox 25 -- Special Reports: "Overreacting to Global Warming" aired on Friday, May 9, 2008. The link is:

<http://media.myfoxboston.com/news/specials/globalcooling.html>

The interview was edited down from about 40 minutes with me alone. (I guess that's normal. But the next time I do something like this I'll have to put some color into my cheeks!)

LECTURES

1. “Global Warming/Climate Change” Alarmism — to the Republican Town Council (Bloomfield police station, CT; 1/19/10)
2. Comments Critiquing “Climate Change” to The Governor’s Steering Committee on Climate Change Adaptation Subcommittee at the Public Information Meeting: The Impacts of Climate Change on Connecticut Agriculture, Infrastructure, Natural Resources and Public Health (The Connecticut Agricultural Experiment Station; New Haven, CT; 1/12/10)
3. Comments Critiquing “Climate Change” to the Adaptation Subcommittee of the Governor’s Committee on Climate Change (GSC) (Legislative Office Building; Hartford, CT; 12/17/09) http://ctnv1.ctn.state.ct.us/C/climate_change_12-17-09.wmv [last half hour]
4. “Global warming/Climate Change Alarmism: A Critical Analysis of the Claims” — The Robert F. Voytek Memorial Lecture Series, Hosted by the Central Connecticut State University Physics Club (Newington, CT; 11/4/09)
5. “Anthropogenic ‘Global Warming’ Alarmism: Illuminating Some Scientific and Methodological Flaws” for the Fall 2009 Joint Meeting of the New England Sections of the American Physical Society and the American Association of Physics Teachers (University of New Hampshire, Durham; 10/17/09)
6. “A Critical Look at ‘Global Warming’” — Hoffman SummerWood Community center (West Hartford, CT; 10/9/09)
7. “Global Warming/Climate Change Alarmism: A Building Without Foundation” — Y’s Men of Westport/Weston (Westport, CT; 10/1/09)
8. “Seeking the Light: Dissecting the Scientific Claims about ‘Climate Change’” — College of the U.S. *Great Connections Seminar* (Chicago, IL; 7/26/09)
9. “The Mythology of Anthropogenic Global Warming & its Policy Consequences” — Occupational & Environmental Medicine Colloquium, University of Connecticut Health Center (Farmington, CT; 6/18/09)
10. “‘Global Warming/Climate Change’: Dissecting the Claims, Exposing the Methods” — South Windsor Rotary Club (South Windsor, CT; 5/13/09)
11. “‘Global Warming/Climate Change’: Claims, Contradictions, & Methods” for the Fall 2008 Joint Meeting of the New England Sections of the American Physical Society and the American Association of Physics Teachers (Northeastern University, Boston; 5/9/09)
12. “Global Warming Alarmism: Checking the Claims, Exposing the Methods” — Environmental Awareness Group (University of Hartford; 3/31/09)
13. “Global Warming Alarmism: Checking the Claims, Exposing the Methods” for the Exchange Club of Glastonbury (Collonade Banquet & Conference Center, Glastonbury, CT; 3/19/09)
14. “Global Warming Alarmism: Checking the Claims, Exposing the Methods” for the 2009 International Conference on Climate Change (Marriott Marquis Times Square Hotel, New York; 3/10/09)
15. “A Critical Look at Global Warming” for the Mandell Jewish Community Center Men's Club (Bloomfield, CT; 3/4/09)
16. “Global Warming Alarmism” for The League of Women Voters of New Haven — including the Amity, Cheshire/Wallingford, Hamden, West Haven and North Haven Leagues (Graduate Club of Yale University; 2/24/09)
17. “Is ‘Global Warming’ Alarmism a Hoax? — A Consideration of Myths, Methods, & Consequences” for the Fall 2008 Joint Meeting of the New England Sections of the American

Physical Society and the American Association of Physics Teachers (University of Massachusetts, Boston; 10/11/08)

18. "Global Warming" —Interactive lectures with two Introduction to Meteorology classes of Dr. Frederick Wolf (Keene State College, Keene, NH; 10/3/08)
19. "*A Convenient Falsehood: Myths, Methods, and Consequences of the Global Warming Hoax*" — university-wide and general public talk (Keene State College, Keene, NH; 10/2/08)
20. "*False Alarm! Explaining Major Scientific and Methodological Errors behind the Global Warming Scare*" — The Cooler Heads Coalition — Congressional Staff and Media Briefing; Longworth House Office Building, Capitol Hill (Washington, DC; 9/17/08)
<http://www.viddler.com/explore/ceivideo/videos/7/>
21. "'Global Warming': A Critical Examination of the Claims"; Princeton University lecture for a general audience consisting of faculty, students, and staff (Princeton, NJ; 8/11/08)
22. "Global Warming"; class interactions at Herricks High School (New Hyde Park, NY; 5/15/08); 3 different classes — Biology, Physics, and Great Decisions.
23. "Global Warming Talk: Two Perspectives" — for the Herricks International Research Institute, Herricks High School auditorium (New Hyde Park, NY; 5/14/08) [speaker for the "alarmist" perspective — Dr. Michael MacCracken, chief scientist for Climate Change Programs for the Climate Institute, Washington, D.C
24. "About those Claims of Dangerous Global Warming: Are They True?"; for the Current Events Club, Mandell Jewish Community Center (Bloomfield, CT; 2/20/08)
25. "Global Warming Claims with Remarks about the Logic and Methodology"; lecture for the University of Hartford Philosophy Club (2/14/08)
26. "Global Warming: Examining the Claims"; invited lecture for University of Hartford faculty member's Reading & Writing I class (11/28/07)
27. "Global Warming: A Critical Analysis" (including film) for Sigma Xi talk (University of Hartford, CT; 10/25/07)
28. "Global Warming: A Critical View" (including film) for an evening presentation at the Prosser Library (Bloomfield, CT; 10/22/07)
29. "Global Warming: A Critical View"; invited workshop -- New England Section of the American Association of Physics Teachers (3 hours; including film) for the Fall 2007 Joint Meeting of the New England Sections of the American Physical Society and the American Association of Physics Teachers (University of Connecticut, Storrs, CT; 10/20/07)
30. "Remarks on 'An Inconvenient Truth' and Related Issues"; a 1-hour invited presentation to students and faculty for a Global Warming Teach-In (E. O. Smith High School, Storrs, CT; 4/25/07)
31. Panel Discussion about Global Warming (invited); I was one of the 2 'skeptics' for a Global Warming Teach-In (E. O. Smith High School; Storrs, CT; 4/25/07)

PUBLICATIONS

1. Fall 2009 issue of the *Newsletter* contains: My Editorial "Global Warming/Climate Change: Further Developments"; *Newsletter of the New England Section of the American Physical Society* (Fall 2009) <http://www.aps.org/units/nes/newsletters/fall09.cfm>
2. Spring 2009 issue of the *Newsletter* contains: (1) My letter of Reply to the Letter by Walter Stockwell, and (2) my Editorial "COMMENTS Related to Scientific Claims about 'Global

- Warming””; *Newsletter of the New England Section of the American Physical Society* (Spring 2009) <http://www.aps.org/units/nes/newsletters/spring09.cfm>
3. Fall 2008 issue of the *Newsletter* contains: (1) My letter of Reply to the Letter by Frank Levin, and (2) my Editorial concerning “global warming”; *Newsletter of the New England Section of the American Physical Society* (Fall 2008) <http://www.physics.ccsu.edu/aps-nes/News.htm>
 4. An Open Letter to Members of the New England Section of the American Physical Society — “Anthropogenic Global Warming Alarmism: A Corruption of Science” (12 pages); *Newsletter of the New England Section of the American Physical Society* (Spring 2008) <http://www.physics.ccsu.edu/aps-nes/News.htm>
 5. Letters in Reply to: (1) the Editor of the *APS News* about bias in the *APS News*, and (2) my Co-Editor of the *Newsletter* in response to his letter about “global warming”; *Newsletter of the New England Section of the American Physical Society* (Spring 2008) <http://www.physics.ccsu.edu/aps-nes/News.htm>
 6. Links to “Global Warming from a Critical Perspective” (requested) for *U.S. Senate Report: Over 400 Prominent Scientists Disputed Man-Made Global Warming Claims Senate Report Debunks "Consensus" in 2007* <http://epw.senate.gov/public/index.cfm?FuseAction=Minority.SenateReport> (January 2008)
 7. “Global Warming from a Critical Perspective” (requested); published on Intermountain Rural Electric Association (IREA) *Legislative Issues* page, <http://www.intermountain-rea.com/legislative.htm> (January 2008)
 8. “Critical Thinking and Global Warming” article in the *Newsletter of the New England Section of the American Physical Society* (Fall 2007).
 9. Letter to the Editor about bias in the *APS News* and *Physics Today* reporting about “global warming”, in the *Newsletter of the New England Section of the American Physical Society* (Fall 2007).

STUDENT RESEARCH PROJECTS

1. Research with a University of Hartford student Christopher Pellicione (2010; major in Physics) into a “Critical Analyses of ‘Global Warming/Climate Change’ Claims” (Spring of 2009); student submitted typed up research reports.
2. Research with a University of Hartford student Daniel Hultgren (2009; dual major in Physics/Philosophy) into an “Investigation of the Scientific Basis for Claims about Global Warming” (Spring and Fall of 2007); student submitted typed up research reports.

COURSES

1. New course (FYS100, Fall 2009) titled, *Man-Made “Global Warming”: A Critical Analysis of the Claims*. This was a First Year (for freshman only) Seminar that employed extensive use of in-class discussions, videos, handouts, library Reserves, and the internet. The course pertains to *critical thinking* about Anthropogenic Global Warming (AGW), examining the methods of argumentation and the evidence for the claims. There were 17 written assignments (two of which were graded), one graded quiz, and a Final Project for which a Paper and a PowerPoint presentation was required from each student. Some topics included (approximately in order): (a) What do you Mean by AGW? Do you believe it is dangerous?

(b) How did you come to your beliefs about AGW? (c) Why did you take this course? (d) How can people come to their beliefs? (e) What is Thinking? (f) Fallacies Used in Argumentation (g) What is Science? (h) What is “Bad” Science? (i) A video on the PRO side of AGW (j) A video on the CON side of AGW (k) A video wherein there is a debate on whether AGW is a “Crisis” (l) A video on the dangers of carbon dioxide; (m) A video on the benefits of carbon dioxide.

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