Tulane Focuses on Climate Change

January 25, 2008 9:45 AM Kathryn Hobgood khobgood@tulane.edu 504-865-5229

Tulane University will host "Focus the Nation," a campus-wide conversation about climate change, Jan. 30-31. Faculty from disciplines across the university will meet in panels to discuss how their areas of research can address global warming issues and solutions. Over 1000 colleges and universities from across the country will host similar events on this day as part of a national "Focus The Nation" effort.

The conversation will kick off on Jan. 30, when writer Chris Mooney lectures on "Science at High Speeds: Hurricanes, Politics, and the Battle Over Global Warming." Mooney, a native New Orleanian and a Washington correspondent for *Seed* magazine, will examine the political and social contexts that shape our views of global warming. This lecture, free and open to the public, takes place at 5 p.m. in the Kendall Cram Room in the Lavin-Bernick Center, followed by a free 7 p.m. screening of *The Two Percent Solution*, a web cast about reducing carbon emissions.

On Jan. 31, "Focus the Nation" panels feature over 25 faculty speakers, exploring global warming through the lens of architecture and rebuilding, health, biodiversity, alternative energy, politics & amp; policy, public service & amp; careers, student leadership, religion, and indigenous peoples.

A photography exhibit depicting the effects of climate change around the world will be on display at the Lavin-Bernick Center from Jan. 27-Feb.1. *Northsoutheastwest, a 360° View of Climate Change*, is a traveling exhibit sponsored by the British Council with photos by the international cooperative Magnum Photos. A preview of the photos and accompanying text is available at <u>www.northsoutheastwest.org</u>.

For full schedule and updates, please visit <u>focus.tulane.edu</u>.