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“Testing for Environmental Gentrification: Migratory Responses to Changes in Environmental Quality”

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12:00-1:00**

IBS 3 Conference Room

The environmental justice movement asserts that minority households face greater exposure to environmental pollution than white households. Supporting this assertion are numerous studies documenting a positive correlation between the location of hazardous waste facilities and minority or poor. This correlation is often interpreted as direct evidence of environmental racism. Although others have challenged these findings, concerns about environmental racism have prompted the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency to create a national Environmental Justice Office and several states to craft legislative responses to the perception of environmental racism. Professor Walsh will present clear and significant evidence of migration correlated with TRI facility emissions and their arrival or exit from a "community" and that exposure to toxic air emissions causes the composition of a community to become less white over time.

IBS 3 is the second building north of Starbucks Coffee on Broadway.
Feel free to bring a brownbag lunch.