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## **UC Santa Barbara Environmental Professor to Discuss Lessons Learned from Hurricane Katrina**

William R. Freudenburg, Dehlsen Professor of Environment and Society at UC Santa Barbara, will discuss the causes and consequences of Hurricane Katrina along the Gulf Coast on Thursday, September 29 at 2 p.m. in the Isla Vista Theater, 935 Embarcadero del Norte.

The event is free and open to the public.

Titled "Equity in the Eye of the Hurricane: Lessons Learned?" the talk will summarize the ways in which human causes and natural forces interacted to create one of the worst disasters in American history.

Freudenburg will also discuss the mass media's coverage of the event and its aftermath, and offer an initial assessment of the lessons that can be learned from the tragedy of Hurricane Katrina.

The talk is the first in a series of lectures on Equity and the Environment planned for this academic year.

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