DISCCRS (pronounced “discourse”) catalyzes interdisciplinary collegial interactions and professional development necessary for successful careers dedicated to understanding climate change and mitigating its impacts. Through its e-newsletter, website, and symposia, DISCCRS is building a global community dedicated to scientific and societal progress to address climate change.

Since 2002, more than 1,800 PhDs have registered dissertations with DISCCRS and over 200 scholars from 27 countries have benefitted from the symposia. We invite scholars in the natural sciences, social sciences, humanities, mathematics, engineering, and other fields to apply for the upcoming symposium.

SYMPOSIA
DISCCRS Symposia are built on the premise that successful interdisciplinary scholarship begins with a core area of expertise and grows with the development of broader knowledge and collegial connections across disciplines. The annual symposia catalyze the process by providing scholars with an interdisciplinary collegial network and bird’s-eye view of climate change research across the natural and social sciences. Discussions, projects, training sessions and informal activities facilitate development of communication and leadership skills and interdisciplinary collegial networks. Program highlights:

- **30 invited DISCCRS scholars** present and discuss their research while developing a collegial peer network.
- **Established researchers** and scholars engage in a relaxed, informal setting to share knowledge and insights concerning climate change and interdisciplinary professional development.
- **Program Officers** from the U.S. National Science Foundation and National Aeronautics and Space Administration describe programs, the proposal review process, and successful proposal development.
- **Expert professional-development trainers** facilitate leadership and teambuilding.
- **Scholars hone their ability to communicate** across disciplines and beyond the ivory tower.

“It was about not only thinking ‘outside the box,’ but actually going outside the box, assisted by peers from other disciplines.”

—DISCCRS VI Scholar

OVERVIEW
**DISCCRS** (pronounced “discourse”) fosters collaborative interdisciplinary research and societal connections to address climate change and its impacts.

**DISCCRS VIII Symposium**

**October 12-19, 2013**

La Foret Conference Center
Colorado Springs, CO

**Eligibility**

PhD in any discipline completed between Sept. 1, 2010 - Feb. 28, 2013

An interdisciplinary committee will select 30 Symposium Scholars based on academic record, commitment to interdisciplinary research, and leadership potential. U.S. residents and international scholars seeking to connect with U.S. researchers are encouraged to apply.

Travel and on-site expenses will be covered in most cases.

**Program Information**

**http://disccrs.org**

**Application Deadline**

February 28, 2013

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