CALL FOR PAPERS FOR EDITED COLLECTION

Working Title: **Green Criminology and the Law**

We are in discussions to publish this volume with Palgrave MacMillan in the Green Criminology Series. We have several other alternate publishing venues that are possible. A final venue will be determined on the basis of the quality and quantity of submissions we receive.

**Theme**

Since its initial proposal in the 1990s, green criminology has focused the criminological gaze on a wide array of harms and crimes affecting humans, animals other than humans, ecological systems, and the planet as a whole. As a continuously blossoming field of criminological inquiry, green criminology recognizes and examines behaviours that are both illegal and legal (yet detrimental), and in varying ways has made great efforts to provide insight into harms in a more fulsome manner. At the same time, there have been many significant legal instances, domestic, and international, including case law, legislation, regulation, treaties, agreements and executive directives which have troubled the law’s understanding of green harms, illegal and legal activity, pushing legal boundaries in the process.

There is a role for persistent rigorous intellectual inquiry explicating the nexus of and interstitial spaces between green criminology as an academic conception and the law as a normative and social construct. While publications focusing upon green criminology and its connections to harm and justice persist in the literature, our proposal is grounded in a green criminological approach to understanding whether the law, both in effect and discursive implications (including pluralistic of instantiations), reflects, refracts, or sublimates the social, political and ecological conditions of our times. Moreover, as educators, the significance of these contact points between green criminology and law may have profound knowledge mobilization impacts that present an opportunity to laminate new ways of delivering education upon conventional pedagogical practices and methods of learning and knowing in higher educational settings. Given the multitudes of criminal and regulatory regimes including domestic and international implications, environmental crises and the emerging field of socio-legal animal studies, the proposed collection seeks to highlight the complex relationship between green criminology and law.

We call for papers internationally to critically reflect on the green criminology-law nexus, broadly conceived. We ask prospective authors to also consider how research and/or the teaching of law may give prominence to green criminological principles in order to foster reasoned and empathetic legal reforms and socio-legal transformation. We also ask prospective authors to consider analyzing how using law in research and/or teaching green criminology expands the latitudes and longitudes of the discipline. We encourage reflections on including, but not limited to:
Legal and socio-legal theory, and green criminology, including:

- administrative, case-based, or legislative analyses or international instruments and law including any and all government-centered responses or multi-national corporate legal maneuvers and actors
- application of the law through specialist environmental courts and other dedicated mechanisms
- integration of green criminological principles in environmental law enforcement
- histories and antecedents of green criminology and law
- the intersection or augmentation of green criminologies including Indigenous, human rights, and animal rights approaches to justice
- earth justice jurisprudence and wild law project(s)
- local, regional, national, and/or international law contexts and green criminology
- policy based approaches to green criminology and legal reforms
- implementation of green criminologies and law in institutions of learning
- any other explication of intersections of and tensions between law and green criminologies of interest to the researchers

We encourage contributions from academics, advocates, and practitioners. The word limit for submissions is 6-8,000 words. Submissions will undergo a peer review process. We estimate April 2021 for our completion date.

**Timeline:**

- Expression of interest for abstracts: please submit a 200-word abstract to both James.Gacek@uregina.ca and Richard.Jochelson@umanitoba.ca by August 1st 2020
- Notification of abstract acceptance: September 1st 2020
- Submission of chapters: January 1st 2021
- Peer review process: February 1st 2021
- Finalization of edited volume: March 1st 2021
- Submission to press: April 1st 2021
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