

# Sociology Speaker Series Spring 2022

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### Super Polluters: Tackling the World's Largest Sites of Climate-Disrupting Emissions

Power plants are essential to achieving the standard of living that modern societies demand and the social and economic infrastructure on which they depend. Yet their indispensability has allowed them to evade responsibility for their vast carbon emissions. Fossil-fueled power plants are the single largest sites of anthropogenic greenhouse gases, making them one of the greatest threats to our planet's climate. Significant as they are, we lack a comprehensive understanding of the social causes that enable power plant emissions and continue to delay their reduction. In their recently published book *Super Polluters*, sociologists Don Grant, Andrew Jorgenson, and Wesley Longhofer conduct a global analysis of carbon pollution caused by the generation of electricity, pinpointing who bears the most responsibility for the energy sector's vast emissions and what can be done about them.



Thursday, March 31  
12:30pm MST

Location: [Zoom](#)

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