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### **UCIS Sustainability Seminar Series**

# Sustainability Initiatives in the Finger Lakes Region

The Finger Lakes Institute at Hobart and William Smith Colleges (FLI) is dedicated to the promotion of environmental research and education about the Finger Lakes and surrounding environments. In collaboration with regional environmental partners and state and local government offices, the Institute fosters environmentally-sound development practices throughout the region and disseminates accumulated knowledge to the public. This talk will focus on current sustainability initiatives in the Finger Lakes in the areas of research and community development including the advancement of a new program in sustainable community development at Hobart and William Smith Colleges. A key component of the FLI's approach is lifecycle assessment or taking a systems' view to analyze potential impacts of local food and agriculture, water supply protection and watershed management, and energy development.

*Lisa B. Cleckner became Director of the Finger Lakes Institute in January 2011. Cleckner earned her Ph.D. in public health with a concentration in environmental health sciences from the University of Michigan. As a post-doctoral research associate and staff scientist at the University of Wisconsin-Madison, she led a research group investigating mercury cycling in the Great Lakes and Everglades, and supervised a water chemistry laboratory for more than five years. Subsequently, she earned an M.B.A. from the Simon Graduate School of Business at the University of Rochester.*

*Throughout her career, Cleckner has been involved in outreach activities targeted to a wide range of audiences including the public, students, businesses and professional scientists. She has also successfully pursued grant funding totaling more than \$3.5 million from federal, state, and non-profit organizations. Most of these proposals have been collaborative efforts engaging different constituencies such as faculty, research scientists, federal agencies, community organizations, and outreach groups.*

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