

Save the Date!

**The 11th biennial
Conference on Communication and Environment (COCE)**



UTEP's campus and Franklin Mountains

**Sponsored by:
Department of Communication
University of Texas at El Paso
El Paso, Texas
Saturday, June 25 – Tuesday, June 28, 2011**

The theme for the 11th Conference on Communication and the Environment is Environmental Justice in International Contexts. Given El Paso's strategic location on the U.S. – Mexico border, this conference theme is particularly topical. Part of the conference activities will include a tour of locations in El Paso related to the conference theme, including locations along the Río Grande/Río Bravo. Recent discussions about internationalizing the environmental communication discipline are also relevant in the border area, as El Paso and Ciudad Juárez work together to address international environmental issues such as water shortages and air pollution for their combined populations of over 2.5 million people in one of the largest bi-national metropolitan areas in the world.

This conference theme is also open to broader interpretations of environmental justice and environmental communication in international contexts as well general themes related to environmental communication to maximize participation from EC scholars, students, and practitioners from various countries and locations.

The conference will be held on the University of Texas at El Paso campus. UTEP has over 21,000 students, and is well-known for its desert location and gardens, unique Bhutanese style architecture, and view of Ciudad Juárez from the campus. For more information about UTEP, see: <http://www.utep.edu/aboutyourUTEP/>. UTEP's Department of Communication will host the conference and will invite members from its master's communication program (in partnership with the non-governmental organization, Rare) in Indonesia, China, and Mexico to participate in this conference to include more international perspectives on environmental issues.

The El Paso International Airport is 15 minutes from the campus and is serviced by many major airlines, including Southwest, American, Delta, United, Continental, and US Airways. Accommodations will be available at the UTEP dormitories and UTEP's on-campus hotel, the Hilton Garden Inn.

Information about environmental communication in general and conference updates, accommodations, and logistics can be found at the Environmental Communication Network's website: <http://www.esf.edu/ecn/>. If you have questions, comments, or suggestions, please contact Stacey Sowards, the conference host, at: ssowards@utep.edu