Call for Chapters

This year's Cultural and Intellectual Climate Committee is inviting chapter submissions for an edited volume to commemorate this year's theme of Debt and the programming supported by our SUNY Conversations in the Disciplines (CID) Award: **Care, Crisis, Climate, and Debt.**

This edited volume is the second iteration of the Cultural and Intellectual Climate Committee's Field Guide Series. The Field Guide model organizes an interdisciplinary collection of writings for use by faculty and students to explore theories, methodologies, and pedagogical approaches.

At the end of Margaret Atwood's 2008 text *Payback: Debt the Shadow Side of Wealth*, she argues, "Like all our financial arrangements, and like all our rules of moral conduct—in fact, like language itself—notions about debt form part of the elaborate imaginative construct that is human society. What is true of each part of mental construct is also true of debt, in all its many variations: because it is a mental construct, how we think about it changes how it works." Given the possibility of change, we are calling for an interdisciplinary collection of writings that reimagines how credit and debt relations work. The student debt and housing crises, go-fund me pages to cover medical debt, paying one's debt to society in the era of mass incarceration, and an ever-expanding carbon debt are all crises that suggest this exercise is not only necessary, but also well overdue. Thus, submissions are encouraged to explore debt while emphasizing at least one of the core topics from this year's conversation: Care, Crisis, and Climate. We ask that Chapters be written with an undergraduate audience in mind.

We invite original submissions from our CID sponsored guest speakers, faculty and staff, and ask Cortland faculty to be on the lookout for outstanding student work to be produced as a coauthored product.

In addition, we are inviting volunteers to act as experts in a peer-review process.

Deadlines: to help insure the timely publication of the volume we are asking that you make your intent to submit known by December 15th by submitting and abstract of no more than 400 words for your chapter.

Final Submission and complete chapters should be between 5000 and 7000 words and will be due by June 1st 2020.

Please email abstracts and submissions to Ben Wilson at <u>bcw@cortland.edu</u>.

Please email jeremy.jimenez@cortland.edu to volunteer as a reviewer.

A Field Guide to Care, Crisis, Climate and Debt promises to be a platform for building a new narrative and space for conversations across our disciplines. Thank you for your interests in developing this collaborative and interdisciplinary project. We thank the Global Institute for Sustainability, Palgrave-McMillan, and the SUNY Conversations in the Disciplines grant for making the project possible.