

Want to Create Transformational Change in your Community, Church or Business?

Attend “When Heaven Meets Earth: A Creation Care, Conflict Management and Sustainability Practicum”

Sponsored by The Center for Law and Culture at Olivet Nazarene University



This one-day practicum will explore the application of transformational change catalyst principles and biblical principles of stewardship, conflict management and sustainability to an environmental conflict in the Chesapeake Bay and a racial and environmental conflict in the Delaware Bay. The practicum is based on Emmerich’s faith-based stewardship and reconciliation work on Tangier Island shown in her film *When Heaven Meets Earth: A Faithful Few Changed Everything* and her racial reconciliation work in *Berlin, Maryland* shown in her trailer film “Minority Outreach in Berlin, MD.”. Participants will learn methods and principles immediately applicable to their communities, businesses and churches.

Instructor Dr. Susan Emmerich

Location Olivet Nazarene University, Room: Weber 204

When May 17, 8:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Enrollment Open to students, faculty and the public.

Cost With the Richard Acker Creation Care Scholarships, we can offer this practicum at a very low price of \$10 for students and ministry workers, and \$40 for faculty and the general public. Lunch is provided.

Registration Deadline May 3, 2025

Syllabus See back.

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Questions? Contact Anna Shoup, Creation Care Practicum Coordinator at 913-956-8904 or amshoup@olivet.edu.

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Participants will learn methods, approaches, and principles for instituting transformational change and conflict management including participatory action research, inter-cultural communication, interpersonal ethnography along with the application of these approaches to two case studies involving environmental and racial conflict.

Morning:

- 8:30 – 10:00 a.m. Introduction, overview of methods, mindsets & behavior approaches related to roots of conflict.
- 10:00 – 10:10 a.m. Break
- 10:10 – 11:00 a.m. Discussion of Biblical principles of environmental stewardship and review of conflict management and sustainability approaches.
- 11:00 – 11:10 a.m. Break
- 11:10 – 11:50 a.m. Group Analysis of Stewardship Initiative documents
- 11:50 – 12:30 p.m. Class discussion of each principle and applicability to own lives and community
- 12:30 – 1:20 p.m. Lunch & Viewing of full-length film *When Heaven Meets Earth*

Afternoon Session

- 1:20 – 2:20 p.m. Details of the methodological keys to successful transformational change
- 2:20 – 2:30 p.m. Break
- 2:30 – 3:10 p.m. Introduction to Berlin, MD Case Study of environmental and racial conflict; breakout groups and discussion
- 3:10 – 3:20 p.m. Break
- 3:20 – 3:40 p.m. Class answers group questions together
- 3:40 – 3:50 p.m. Viewing of the Berlin, MD case study film
- 3:50 – 4:00 p.m. Summary & Take Aways

Those interested in enrolling in “When Heaven Meets Earth: A Creation Care, Conflict Management and Sustainability Practicum” should email the information requested below to Anna Shoup AMShoup@olivet.edu by May 3 and then bring check or cash the day of the Practicum. If you have to cancel for reasons of emergency, please be respectful and let Anna know two days before beginning of the practicum since we produce binders for the course and set up teams for the day.

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Last First Middle Initial

Address: _____
Street City State Zip Code

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College (if applicable): _____

Major (if applicable): _____ **Minor (if applicable):** _____

Dietary Restrictions (if applicable): _____