

35th Annual Harvard Forest Ecology Symposium

Looking Forward with Long-Term Research: New Directions and Graduate Student Research in the Harvard Forest LTER

March 18th 2025, 9 a.m. – 4:45 p.m. | Fisher Museum, Harvard Forest

9:00	Jonathan Thompson and Audrey Barker Plotkin, Harvard Forest. Welcome and Overview of the Day
9:15	Andy Reinmann, CUNY Advanced Science Research Center. Environmental Controls on the Terrestrial Carbon Cycle: Early Lessons from CLIFF
9:40	Hannah Naughton, University of Massachusetts-Amherst. From Field to Forests: The Greenhouse Gas Potential of Disturbed Soils
10:05	Shersingh Joseph Tumber-Dávila, Dartmouth College. Hurricanes, Droughts, and Deforestation, Oh My! A Look at Major Global Change Drivers Impacting New England's Forests both Above- and Below-ground
10:30	Break
11:00	Jackie Hatala Matthes, Harvard Forest. Sloshing into the Soggy Side of Harvard Forest
11:25	Lucy Hutyra, Boston University. Adapting to Place: How Trees Grow in Urban and Rural Environments
12:00 - 1:00	Lunch
12:30 - 1:45	Poster Session: Graduate Student Research Showcase
1:45	Junzhou Zhang, Lanzhou University & Neil Pederson, Harvard Forest. Comparing Intraseasonal Cambial Phenology and Radial Growth Dynamics of Northern and Southern Species in Harvard Forest
2:10	Steven Augustine, Harvard University OEB. The Role of Tree Diversity and Composition in Ecosystem Function and Resilience
2:35	Benton Taylor, Harvard University OEB. <i>Understanding How Root-Microbial Partnerships Shape Forest Responses to Changing Climates</i>
3:00	Break
3:15 - 4:45	Break-out sessions: 1) Guided tours by education staff (open to all!); 2) Graduate student/post-doc gathering (open to current graduate students and post-docs); 3) HF LTER strategy session (invitation only)