

# HF Newsletter

February 2018

## Honors Forum Hosts Climate Change Debate

On February 7<sup>th</sup>, the Honors Forum hosted a dialogue entitled "Do We Really Have a Climate Crisis and Can It Be Solved? A Conversation on the Future of the Climate and Humanity's Response" that evening, held in Garrett Auditorium from 5:00-6:30pm, was moderated by Prof. Kristoter Covey of the Environmental Studies Department and HF Executive Committee Vice President.

The debate featured two noteworthy speakers: Dr. Michael E. Cass, a Senior Fellow at the Manhattan Institute and former member of the Trump presidential campaign, and Dr. Andrew Revkin, a former Advisor for Environmental and Science Journalism for the National Geographic Society.



The event kicked off with both speakers add-

Tackling the debate respectfully from two different sides, Dr. Cass and Revkin set the tone for a more even, yet good-spirited, informed conversation in the name of solutions and engagement with issues related to climate change. From there, the night's moderators moved the talk toward topics like the Paris Agreement, the science and economics behind climate policies, and the individual actions of environmental issues. The Q&A section of the debate included a student answer portion featuring students and faculty members of the community.

## Boston Trip, Freedom Trail Tour

Saturday, April 7

## Academy Day

Wednesday, May 1

## HF Senior Awards & Graduate School

Friday, May 17

## Executive Committee Updates:

**OFFICE HOURS:** This semester's office hours will be Tuesdays from 12:30-1:30pm and Wednesdays from 12:30-1:30pm. Please stop by my office or email me with any questions, comments, or concerns you may have.

**AMBASSADOR PROGRAM:** Due to Drs. Alisa Minkoff and Diane Gosselin's departure from Skidmore, we are currently seeking students to reinstate the HF Ambassador Program, a way for HF students to connect with each other by having certain students serve as a leading resource for others. Email [bfsxco@skidmore.edu](mailto:bfsxco@skidmore.edu) if you are interested in becoming an ambassador!

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