

Shelly Leshner – Colloquium Seminar – September 29, 2022 – in Person  
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Title - What's science got to do with it? The intersection of nuclear science & society.

Abstract - Born in war, nuclear science was first revealed to the world in horror. The Cold War, power plant disasters, and current political tensions continue to play into people's fears of everything nuclear. Overcoming this perspective often feels like an almost insurmountable task. This seminar will focus on examining the impact of nuclear weapons, energy, and policy in society through the author's public scholarship endeavor and education of undergraduate students. Topics could cover everything from the benefits of nuclear science in medicine and culture to the impact it has had on artists & musicians, human rights, and the economy.