



Our experts kicked off a sizzling summer with pioneering research and analysis on climate change, and the media took a look at how our scientists saved entire industries.

Food & Energy Systems



NPR: "How New Roots Are Driving an Apple Renaissance"
06.01.2017

Apple breeders at the New York State Agricultural Experiment Station are credited with saving the apple industry in the '70s and pioneering the second wave of the "rootstalk revolution."

The Washington Post: "One Big Reason Some Foods Cost So Much More Than Others"
06.19.2017

Prabhu Pingali, Dyson School, explains that better-yielding crop varieties were a larger factor in dropping row crop prices than the introduction of the combine.

WENY-News: "Local Farmers Bureau Praised While Trying to Improve the Industry"
06.27.2017

Dean Kathryn J. Boor met with the New York Farm Bureau and fielded questions from members about issues such as promoting local agriculture within the state.

WENY News: "Name That Grape!"
06.20.2017

Bruce Reisch, SIPS, has bred a new table grape variety and opened up the naming of it to the public. Also in Good Fruit Grower and many others.

Social Sciences



Reuters: "You Say 'Climate Change,' I Say 'Global Warming' - What's the Difference?"
06.22.2017

Jonathon Schuldt, communication, describes his research on the politics of who accepts the term "climate change." Also in HuffPost.

Reuters: "Politics of Death: Land Conflict and Murder Go 'Hand in Hand' in Brazil"
06.27.2017

Wendy Wolford, development sociology, critiques the Brazilian government's use of necropolitics, a form of institutionalized discrimination that ends in death, against its indigenous population.

HuffPost: "Climate Change Could Threaten Up to 2 Billion Refugees By 2100"
06.26.2017

Charles Geisler, development sociology, predicts that by 2100, New York City residents could be among a projected 2 billion people forced from their homes as seas rise. Also in the Albany Times Union.

Men's Health: "Put a Ring on It for a Healthier Heart"
06.08.2017

Thomas Hirschl, development sociology, points to evidence that married men outlive and outearn single men.

Life Sciences



The Washington Post: "Walmart's Answer to Aldi and Amazon: 'Designer Cantaloupe'"
06.13.2017

Susan Brown and Courtney Weber, SIPS, comment on Walmart's move into specialized fruit and how the company's size is an obstacle.

The Wall Street Journal: "Some Urban Farmers Are Going Vertical"
06.05.2017

Neil Mattson, SIPS, who developed the Greenhouse Lighting and Systems Engineering Consortium, offers his expertise on indoor agriculture. Also in The Daily Gazette and WAMC.

CNN: "White Bread or Whole-Wheat? It May Depend on Your Gut"
06.16.2017

Angela Poole, nutritional sciences, suggests that nutrition is more subjective than initially thought.

Mental Floss: "9 Molds Trying to Take Over Your Kitchen"
06.01.2017

Kathie Hodge, SIPS, provides descriptions and assessments of several molds, including the dangerous *Aspergillus flavus* fungus, a cousin to black mold.

Environmental Sciences



Newsweek: "Hunting Serves the Environment By Controlling Overpopulation, Study Shows"
06.02.2017

Paul Curtis, natural resources, says that hunting can help but is often not enough to control the damage wrought by animal overpopulation.

Fortune: "Trump May Have Just Started the End of Coffee"
06.14.2017

Michael Hoffmann, entomology, argues in this op-ed that coffee beans will face increasing production challenges in the wake of climate change.

The Hill: "Trump Plans for Updated Bridges but Ignores the Troubled Waters Below"
06.15.2017

Amanda Rodewald, natural resources, writes in this op-ed that investing in green and gray infrastructure is key to protecting our future.

WAER News: "Excessive Spring Rainfall Poses Serious Challenges for CNY Farmers"
06.08.2017

Margaret Smith, SIPS, answers questions about how growers are responding to recent weather.