

presents a talk by



Dr. Shelley Alexander

Animal Geographies

Tuesday, March 13, 12:15-1:30 pm, TH 241

Dr. Alexander will discuss concepts of animal geography, using her encounters with individual research animals (specifically coyotes, wolves, and African painted dogs) as an entry point. Key aims of the talk will be to describe the foundations of human-animal engagements, to elucidate the ecological, ethical, and social pressures shaping human-animal engagements, and to explore the emotional lives of social animals (including concepts of morality and wild justice).

Shelley Alexander is a Professor in the Department of Geography, University of Calgary. She has over 25 years of experience studying wild canids, specializing in wolves and coyotes in Canada, and is the Founder of the Canid Conservation Science lab (www.ucalgary.ca/canid-lab). Shelley has focused on human-coyote interactions in urban and rural settings for the past 10 years, most recently launched the Foothills Coyote Initiative, and has the most comprehensive coverage of human-coyote engagements in Canada. Shelley is also specialist in geospatial analysis (GIS, Satellite imagery, and statistics) for conservation, is a road ecologist and wildlife tracker.

