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# GLOBAL SYSTEMIC RISK

The PIIRS Research Community on Global Systemic Risk will pursue a multidisciplinary inquiry focusing on the robustness and fragility of global human-made organizational systems—energy exploration and production, electricity transmission, food and water supplies, and the financial system, among others—to better understand the nature of risk, the structure of increasingly fragile systems, and the ability to anticipate and prevent catastrophic consequences.

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## WHAT ACADEMICS SHOULD KNOW ABOUT COMPLEXITY

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FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 19, 2014

*Burr Hall, Room 219*

*Lunch will be provided.*

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