CLS/CoCo Joint Seminar:

**A Roundtable Discussion on Research Funding and Transdisciplinary Grants**

Dr. Michael Eckardt  
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**Wednesday October 19th, 2016**  
11:00am-12:00pm [note the irregular time]  
Engineering Building H-9  
(Knoll-MacDonald Commons / Watson Commons)

Dr. Michael Eckardt is Emeritus Vice President for Research, at the University of Maine and former Senior Scientist at National Institutes of Health (NIH). He also served as Chief of Planning and Evaluation Branch for the National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism (NIAAA)/NIH; Acting Chief, Neuroscience and Behavior Branch, Division of Basic Research, NIAAA; Senior Science Advisor and Special Assistant, Office of Scientific Affairs, NIAAA; and, Special Assistant to the Associate Director for Science Policy, NIH. He earned a PhD from the University of Oregon Health Sciences Center (Medical Psychology) and has published in outlets such as American Journal of Psychiatry, Archives of General Psychiatry, Archives of Internal Medicine, Brain Research, Journal of the American Medical Association, Lancet, and Science. He has obtained more than $38 million in federally funded grants from agencies such as NIH and NSF, including a $20 million transdisciplinary sustainability solutions grant that involved all of the undergraduate institutions in the State of Maine.

Dr. Eckardt will discuss research funding experiences from both sides of the funding process: as an agency administrator and as a principal investigator. He will also address the challenges and benefits of transdisciplinary research in grant work. A question and answer session will follow.

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