

“Sustainable Agriculture and Food Systems: Exploring Contemporary Policy Issues”

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Recently, a University-wide committee was appointed to develop and implement a plan for a School of Public Policy (SPP) at Cornell. Based on the preliminary work of the committee, there are three potential pillars of such a school: Social and Welfare Policy, Environment and Energy Policy, and Sustainable International Development. The committee is interested in identifying ways in which the future SPP may connect with our very important extension, outreach and applied research programs in the areas of food and sustainable agriculture. The committee wants to devise strategies to highlight our unique strength in sustainability of food systems and agriculture. In this topical lunch, the plan for a SPP in Cornell will be explained, followed by a guided group discussion among participants to provide feedback to the committee regarding the potential role of extension and outreach programs in the SPP initiative.