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THE CLIMATE CHANGE INSTITUTE is an interdisciplinary research unit organized to conduct research and graduate education focused on variability of the Earth's climate, ecosystems, and other environmental systems and on the interaction between humans and the natural world. Institute investigations cover the Quaternary Period, a time of numerous glacial/interglacial cycles and abrupt changes in climate, ranging in time from the present to nearly 2 million years ago. Research activities include field, laboratory, and modeling studies that focus on the timing, causes, and mechanisms of natural and anthropogenically forced climate change, and on the effects of past climate changes on the physical, biological, chemical, social, and economic conditions of the earth. Institute research is supported by grants from a variety of sources including the National Science Foundation, the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, and support from the Bingham Trust, the W. M. Keck Foundation, and the Dan and Betty Churchill Exploration Fund.

"The Climate Change Institute offers students the opportunity to conduct fieldwork in some of the most remote regions on earth and access to state of art laboratory facilities, promoting cutting-edge research concerning global climate change." — Bjorn Grigholm, Graduate Student

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