Each generation has an obligation to conserve the planet for future generations. How can we ensure that this obligation is honored? Join the Wayne Morse Law Fellows to discuss the legal, moral and political aspects of intergenerational equity and climate change.

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