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## **Pacific Climate Seminar Series kicks off Wednesday in British Columbia**

Media and members of the public are invited to attend a free lecture series featuring a range of climate change experts that starts from tomorrow (Wednesday, 16 September).

The “Pacific Climate Seminar Series” - co-sponsored by the Pacific Institute for Climate Solutions (PICS) and the Pacific Climate Impacts Consortium (PCIC) - will host eight speakers over the coming months. The series aims to make climate change research and new information accessible to the public and to users of climate change information, such as government planners, industry, the media and the wider research community.

All seminars will be held from 2:00 to 3:00 pm on the third Wednesday of every month at the University of Victoria. The event will also be webcast live on <http://www.pics.uvic.ca/broadcast.php>

Tomorrow’s seminar features one of the world’s leading glaciologists, Dr Shawn Marshall, from the University of Calgary. He will talk about the surprising rate and extent of glacial change due to climate change, with both alpine and polar regions seeing increased melt and flow-on effects such as rising sea levels, with impacts being felt in BC and beyond.

**What:** Pacific Climate Seminar Series featuring Dr. Shawn Marshall, Dept of Geography, University of Calgary

**Topic:** Glacier-Climate Processes and Glacier Response to Climate Change

**When:** 2pm- 3pm Wednesday, September 16, 2009

**Where:** The Sedgewick Boardroom, Rm C168, University of Victoria

**Webcast:** <http://www.pics.uvic.ca/broadcast.php>

Questions for the speaker can be emailed before or during the session to [rmeyer@uvic.ca](mailto:rmeyer@uvic.ca). Media wanting follow-up interviews with Dr Marshall should also contact the PICS Communications Officer.

PICS is a collaboration of BC’s four research-intensive universities hosted and led by the University of Victoria (UVic). PCIC is a consortium of climate science researchers and stakeholders, also based at UVic.

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