

## Mannie Jackson Center for the Humanities Global Research and Education Initiative

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The Mannie Jackson Center for the Humanities (MJCH) was officially launched by Lewis and Clark Community College in 2011 with a National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH) Endowment Grant and later aligned with Mannie Jackson's vision and significant personal investment to create a global humanities research center.

To accomplish its goals, L&C President Dr. Dale Chapman and the MJCH have assembled university partners and world class scholars with expertise in content and research methodologies, enabling the MJCH to conduct large scale human dimension/humanities research.

MJCH Core Values: Respect, Understanding, Dignity & Forgiveness

Research funded by the Mannie Jackson Center for the Humanities Foundation (MJCHF), a 501(c)(3), uses the humanities to gain insights into, and to communicate, environmental science research so that others will care about and seek to resolve environmental inequities for communities of disenfranchised people throughout the world. The MJCH engages humanities faculty, working with environmental scientists, to communicate what we know about environmental science and how that impacts people's lives. The humanities can express the urgency to develop research-based policy solutions to current issues more powerfully than research briefs published in scientific journals that are read by other scientists, but not by government, private sector, or the non-governmental organization policy-makers.

The L&C MJCH aspires to be a Global Research Center where the humanities communicate the urgency to resolve environmental inequitities globally.

## Humanities Humanities Environmental Science Research Environmental Science

## What is the Global Research and Education Institute?

The world's population is becoming increasingly pluralistic and polarized, creating conditions of resource scarcity and economic imbalances resulting in imploding nation states and worldwide migration of populations seeking safe harbors. The MJCH aspires to understand how people interact with their environment and tell their stories. This is particularly true in those communities where such issues as water pollution, flooding, and over-farmed land, lead to food shortage, illness, dislocation, and death. The humanities are a means of communicating what environmental researchers know about the impacts of environment issues on people's lives. Environmental inequities exist, are increasing and adversely impact poor communities globally.

The mission of the Mannie Jackson Center for the Humanities is to promote mutual understanding, respect, compassion and equity among people of the global community. The MJCH is uniquely positioned to use the humanities to address issues of environmental fairness and to elevate the human spirit and condition through human expression.

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