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Research topics may include telecoupling (telecoupling.org), sustainability science, UN Sustainable Development Goals, coupled human and natural systems, systems integration (e.g., integration of natural sciences such as ecology with social sciences such as economics, policy, and technology), biodiversity conservation, computer modeling and simulation (e.g., agent-based modeling), ecosystem services, food-energy-water-climate nexus, forest ecology, human well-being, global change, land change science, landscape ecology, nature-based climate solutions, and wildlife ecology and conservation. Studies on these and other related topics by faculty and students at CSIS have been published in journals such as Science and Nature.

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