

# Jonathan Gilligan

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Expert on the impact of human behavior and public policy on climate, with a focus on how small changes add up to make big differences.

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## Biography

Jonathan M Gilligan is Associate Professor of Earth and Environmental Sciences and Associate Professor of Civil and Environmental Engineering at Vanderbilt University. He is Associate Director for Research at the Vanderbilt Climate Change Research Network, a member of the Vanderbilt Institute for Energy and Environment, the Vanderbilt Initiative for Smart-city Operations Research and a founding member of the Erd?s Institute for Collaboration, Innovation, and Entrepreneurship. In 2017, Gilligan and Michael Vandenbergh received the Morrison Prize, awarded by the program in Law and Sustainability at Arizona State University to the highest-impact paper on sustainability law and policy published in the previous year. He is the author of one book and over 86 scholarly articles. He is also co-author, with Carol Gilligan, of the play ?The Scarlet Letter? and the libretto for the opera ?Pearl.?

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## Areas of Expertise

Atmospheric Science, Environmental Policy, Climate Change, Water Conservation , Risk Management

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## Education

**Yale University**  
Ph.D.

**Swarthmore College**  
B.S.

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