## **Michael Rawlins**

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Michael Rawlins seeks to connect and understand water, energy and carbon cycling across the earth's land, atmosphere and ocean domains.

## **Biography**

Michael Rawlins comments on the impact of climate change on the earth. Most recently he's appeared in print and video discussing evidence he's found that thawing permafrost in northern Alaska is altering the hydrological system of the Arctic, which disrupts the region?s inhabitants and changes the environment into a source of carbon emission. As associate director of the Climate System Research Center at UMass, he's also often called on to explain how climate change is affecting life in the Northeast United States.

## **Expertise**

Climatology, Hydrology, Arctic Science, Climate, Hydrology of Arctic Environments, Climate Change

## **Education**

**University of New Hampshire** 

Ph.D. Earth and Environmental Sciences

**University of Delaware** 

M.S. Geography/Climatology

**University of Delaware** 

B.S. Environmental Science

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