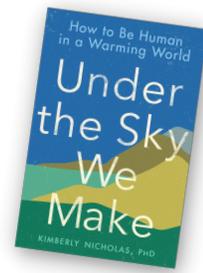


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Dr. Kimberly Nicholas is Associate Professor of Sustainability Science at Lund, Sweden's highest-ranked university. Born and raised on her family's vineyard in Sonoma, California, she studied the effect of climate change on the California wine industry for her PhD in Environment and Resources at Stanford University.

Since then, she has published over 50 articles on climate and sustainability in leading peer-reviewed journals, and her research has been featured in outlets including The New York Times, The Washington Post, The Atlantic, USA Today, BuzzFeed and more. She has also been profiled in Elle, New Scientist, Science, and The Guardian, and gives appearances at around 50 lectures each year, such as the recent Climate Change Leadership summit.

She is the author of the popular science nonfiction book *UNDER THE SKY WE MAKE: How to be Human in a Warming World* (Putnam/Penguin Random House, March 2021).

In her research, she studies the connections between people, land, and climate. Her goal is to understand how to steward ecosystems to support a good life for everyone alive today, and leave a thriving planet for future generations.

Her current research projects include a collaboration with the Municipality of Lund to radically reduce climate pollution; The Takeoff of Staying on the Ground, studying the flight-free movement in Sweden; and using digital communication to improve traveler satisfaction with public transport. She recently concluded a five-year investigation of sustainable food systems in Europe, including the first comprehensive mapping of €61 billion of annual public spending under the Common Agricultural Policy.

She serves as Director of PhD Studies at the Lund University Centre for Sustainability Studies (LUCSUS). She has taught courses in the LUMES masters' program including Earth Systems Science, focused on climate science and solutions; Rural Systems and Sustainability; Quantitative Methods in Sustainability Science; and Writing for Change. She has mentored over 30 masters' students, as well as half a dozen PhD students and several postdocs.