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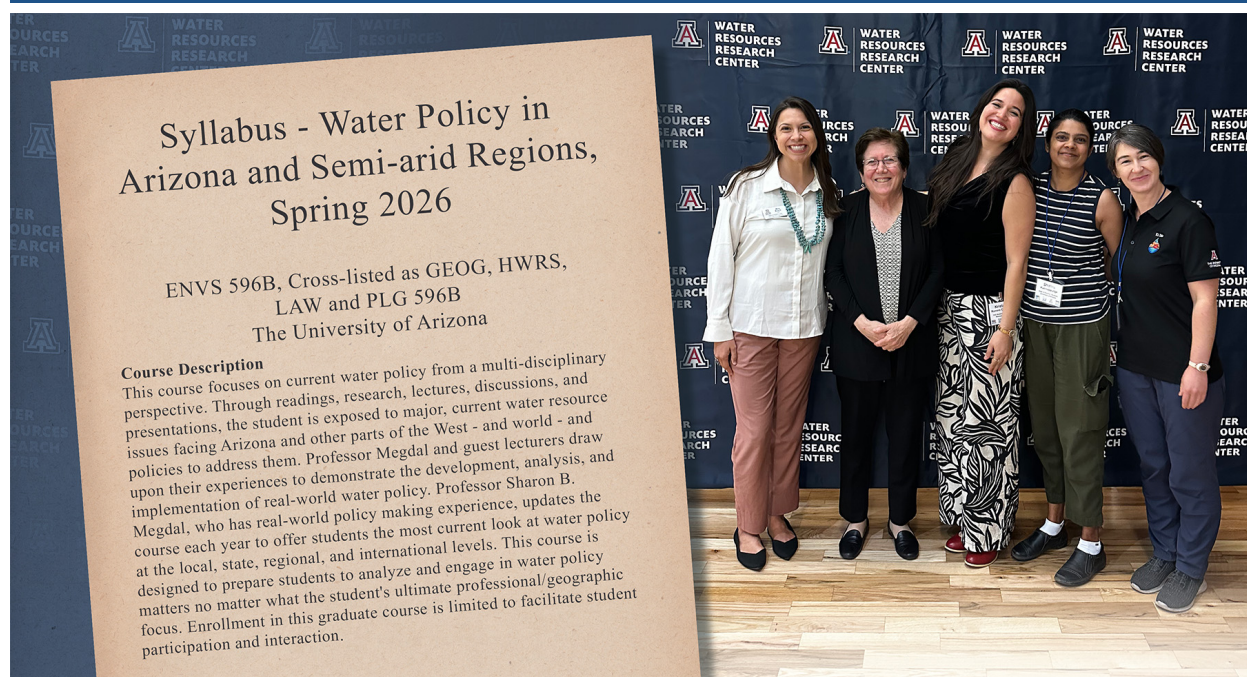
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Reflections: On 20 Years of Teaching Water Policy

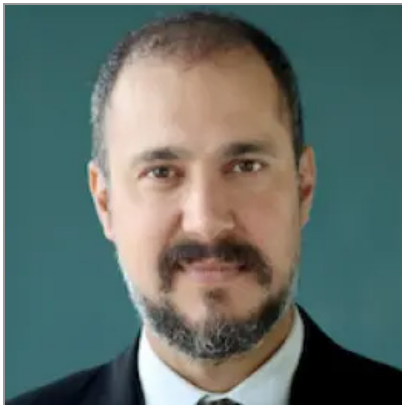
In May 2026, the 20th installment of my graduate **water policy course** was in the books. When I returned to the University of Arizona in February 2002 as Water Resources Research Center Associate Director and Extension Specialist, teaching university students was not part of my official job description. Extension faculty typically focus their educational activities in the community rather than through university-level instruction.



Spanish Translation of Arroyo 2026 Now Available / Ya está disponible la versión en español de Arroyo 2026

The WRRRC is pleased to share the Spanish translation of *Arroyo 2026 – Borders and Water: Institutions, Investments, and Information*. The Spanish version, *Fronteras y Agua: Instituciones, Inversiones e Información*, expands access to the publication for Spanish-speaking readers interested in shared water resources, especially in the context of the US–Mexico border.

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Webinar to Address Global Water Bankruptcy

On Wednesday, June 10, Kaveh Madani, Director of the United Nations University Institute for Water, Environment, and Health (UNU-INWEH) and the architect of the water bankruptcy concept, will present a WRRRC Water Webinar on why the planet has entered the era of global water bankruptcy. Sustained pressure on rivers, aquifers, and freshwater ecosystems has pushed many human-water systems into a post-crisis condition where recovery is no longer possible.

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WRRC Director Delivers Colorado River Update for Pinal County

On May 12, 2026, WRRC Director Sharon B. Megdal presented a webinar for the University of Arizona's Pinal County Cooperative Extension Agronomy Program, titled "Colorado River Updates: Shaping the Future of Arizona Agriculture." The mission of the Cooperative Extension Agronomy Program is to serve the public by creating a link between Arizona residents and topic experts at the U of A.

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Events

Upcoming WRRC and Co-Sponsored Events

Jun
10

[WRRC Water Webinar: Global Water Bankruptcy: Living Beyond our Hydrological Means in the Post-Crisis Era](#); Featuring UNU-INWEH Director Kaveh Madani, Recipient of the 2026 Stockholm Water Prize

Jul
16

[Growing Water Smart Peer Network Webinar: Colorado River Negotiations](#); Featuring [WRRC Director Sharon B. Megdal and Karen Schlatter, Director of the Colorado Water Center](#) – *WRRC Co-Sponsored Event*

Aug
13

[WRRC Water Webinar: Arizona Tri-University Recharge and Water Reliability Project \(ATUR\)](#) – *Save the Date!*

Other Events

Aug
13–14

[CLE's 34th Annual SuperConference – Arizona Water Law: A Watershed Moment](#)

Sep
28–29

[CLE's 14th Annual Tribal Water Law Conference – Beyond the Settlement Table: Rights in a Post-Cooperation Era](#)

Water News

- [WRRC Director Quoted in AZ Daily Star Article on Colorado River Cuts](#)
 - [WRRC Director Quoted in Recent Stateline Article on Worsening Drought Conditions in Western States](#)
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Other News

- [ADEQ Expands Arizona's Fish Consumption Advisory Program to Include PFOS](#)
- [USGS National Water Availability Assessment Data Companion](#)
- [New Indigenous Water Podcast: Listening to the Ripples](#)
- [New Report Released by U of A Cooperative Extension: Tribal Agriculture in Arizona: An Economic Contribution Analysis](#)
- [Value of Water Campaign Calls for Cross-Sector Partnerships, Sustained Infrastructure Investment Following Infrastructure Week 2026 \(Water Online\)](#)
- [Arizona Voters Rank Water Supply Above Immigration and Inflation, New Poll Finds \(AZ Mirror\)](#)
- [AHS Flagstaff Seeks Sponsorships for Upcoming Verde Headwaters Field School](#)

Water Jobs & Other Opportunities

- [Audubon Southwest: Arizona Water Policy Fellow](#)
- [OpenET: Project & Operations Coordinator](#)
- [USDA NRCS AZ Watersheds: Civil Engineer \(Hydraulics/Hydrologic\)](#)

Please visit the [WRRC's website](#) for a complete listing of water jobs and opportunities.

Calendar Announcements

- Jun 1: [Central Arizona Project Award for Water Research Call for Student Papers – Submission Deadline](#)
- Jun 4–7: [AHS Flagstaff Verde River Headwaters Field School](#)
- Jun 6: [WaterReuse Arizona 2026 Scholarships – Application Deadline](#)
- Jun 8–10: [UCOWR/NIWR 2026 Annual Water Resources Conference](#)
- Jun 8–10: [National PFAS Conference 2026](#)

- Jun 10: [WRRC Water Webinar: Global Water Bankruptcy: Living Beyond our Hydrological Means in the Post-Crisis Era; Featuring UNU-INWEH Director Kaveh Madani \(Recipient of the 2026 Stockholm Water Prize\) – Save the Date!](#)
- Jun 10: [AHS Phoenix: Annual Beer Tasting Fundraiser Event](#)
- Jun 10: [PFAS-REACH Continuing Medical Education Workshop: How to Talk to Patients about PFAS and their Health](#)

MORE CALENDAR ANNOUNCEMENTS

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