



**Provost's Lecture Series hosting SBU Professor Douglas J . Futuyma - Friday,
February 12 - Darwin Day 2010**

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Dear Colleagues,

In honor of the life and work of Charles Darwin, I invite you to attend a Provost's lecture with Douglas J. Futuyma, Distinguished Professor of Ecology and Evolution here at Stony Brook. Professor Futuyma will present his Darwin Day 2010 lecture on Friday, February 12, at 7:30 p.m. in the Student Activities Center Auditorium. Last year marked the 200th birthday of Charles Darwin and the 150th anniversary of his seminal work "On the Origin of Species." Professor Futuyma's talk is well-timed as we move forward from these milestones and celebrate Darwin and those who continue his journey. Douglas Futuyma will speak on "Evolutionary Biology: 150 Years of Progress," and some extraordinary achievements since the publication of Darwin's book.

Professor Futuyma's research interests focus on speciation and the evolution of ecological interactions between species. He has been a Guggenheim fellow and a Fulbright senior scholar and served as president of the Society for the Study of Evolution, the American Society of Naturalists, and the American Institute of Biological Sciences. He was elected to the American Academy of Arts and Sciences in 1996 and the U.S. National Academy of Sciences in 2006. He is the author of the textbooks "Evolutionary Biology," "Evolution," and "Science on Trial: The Case for Evolution," and editor of "Annual Review of Ecology, Evolution and Systematics."

This lecture is held in partnership with the Department of Ecology and Evolution and the Living World Lecture Series. Seating at the lecture will be on a first come, first served basis. We are pleased to host our distinguished colleague on this important and timely topic. I encourage you to attend Professor Futuyma's lecture and pass along this invitation to students, colleagues and the local community. For more information on Darwin Day 2010, please visit: <http://www.darwinsbu.org>

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