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## Big History Opens ILS 2012 Fall Lecture Series

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## **Big History Opens ILS 2012 Fall Lecture Series**

The series is a cooperative effort between [Dominican's ILS](#) and independent book store Book Passage. Each year, the Leadership Lecture Series features some of the country's leading figures from the world of business, politics, entertainment, academia, and literature. All lectures are open to the public. Lectures begin at 7 p.m. in Angelico Hall. Doors open at 6 p.m.

Informed by a background in biochemistry and cultural anthropology, Dr. Spier executed a 10-year research project on religion, politics and ecology in Andean Peru, which led to the publication of two books: *Religious Regimes in Peru* and *San Nicolás de Zurite*. In his most recent publication, *Big History and the Future of Humanity*, he presents an original theoretical approach that makes "big history" -- the placing of the human past within the history of life, the Earth, and the Universe -- accessible to general readers while revealing insights into what the future may hold for humanity.

The Spier event was offered in cooperation with Dominican's First Year Experience Big History. All Dominican freshmen attended. Admission was free and open to the public, with seating available on a first-come, first-served basis.

For more information about Dominican's Big History project, please visit [www.dominican.edu/dominicannews/first-year-experience-focuses-on-big-history.html](http://www.dominican.edu/dominicannews/first-year-experience-focuses-on-big-history.html). For more information about the Leadership Lecture Series, please visit [www.dominican.edu/academics/businesslead/leadership/publiceventssymp.html](http://www.dominican.edu/academics/businesslead/leadership/publiceventssymp.html)

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