

# PATHWAYS EXPLORATIONS SERIES FALL 2024

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### Wednesday, Sept 4

**12 to 12:50 p.m.**      **Bunker**  
**& 4 to 4:50 p.m.**      **Auditorium**

David Wald is a seismologist with USGS at the National Earthquake Information Center. He completed his Ph.D. at Caltech in 1993. Wald leads development and operations of real-time information systems including ShakeMap, Did You Feel it?, PAGER, ShakeCast, and Ground Failure. David is currently the Past Editor-in-Chief of the EERI's journal Earthquake Spectra and is an Adjunct Professor in the Geophysics at the Colorado School of Mines. He was an IRIS/SSA Distinguished Lecturer and EERI's Distinguished Lecture. He also served on the Board of Directors for both SSA and EERI and was the 2009 recipient of SSA's Frank Press Public Service Award. In 2021, Wald was awarded the EERI-SSA Joyner Lectureship, an AGU Fellow, and received the USGS Shoemaker Lifetime Achievement Award in Communications, an award granted annually to a scientist who creates excitement and enthusiasm for science among non-scientists by using effective communication skills. In 2023, David received the Presidential Rank Award, which recognizes a select group of U.S. Government Senior Executive Service career members for exceptional performance over an extended period.

### About the Pathways Explorations Series

The Pathways Explorations Series features large-scale, TED-style talks where motivating and inspiring speakers tell their personal, academic and professional stories to our Mines campus community. The talks are required for CSM 101 students to learn about the many possible academic and career pathways available to them. The talks are open to all Mines students, faculty and staff, and will be live-streamed and recorded.