

COURSE DETAIL

GREEN GERMANY: A CULTURAL AND POLITICAL HISTORY OF NATURE AND THE ENVIRONMENT IN GERMANY

Country

Germany

Host Institution

Free University of Berlin

Program(s)

Humboldt University Berlin, Free University Berlin

UCEAP Course Level

Upper Division

UCEAP Subject Area(s)

History German Environmental Studies

UCEAP Course Number

142

UCEAP Course Suffix**UCEAP Official Title**

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UCEAP Transcript Title

GREEN GERM CULT HIS

UCEAP Quarter Units

4.50

UCEAP Semester Units

3.00

Course Description

This course examines the evolution of “Green Germany” through history, up to the present moment. The course studies key moments in the history of the German relationship to nature and the environment, looking at the role of grassroots movements on the one hand and state policy on the other hand. Among the topics discussed are: the movement for nature conservation at the end of the 19th century during industrialisation; the period of National Socialism, when the legal foundations of the protection of the environment were laid; the environmental movement of the 1970s in West Germany; environmental protection in East Germany, and, finally, current debates and conflicts around the conservation of nature and landscape on the one hand and climate protection as well as energy policy on the other hand, looking at government policy and protest movements. The course also examines the specifically German attachment to the forest; accordingly, one session is held in Grunewald, the large forest in Berlin.

Language(s) of Instruction

English

Host Institution Course Number

16920

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Host Institution Campus

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PHILOSOPHIE UND GEISTESWISSENSCHAFTEN FAKULTÄT

Host Institution Degree

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Deutsche und Niederländische Philologie

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