COURSE DETAIL

ENVIRONMENTAL ADVOCACY AND ACTIVISM

Country

Australia

Host Institution

University of New South Wales

Program(s)

University of New South Wales

UCEAP Course Level

Lower Division

UCEAP Subject Area(s)

Sociology

UCEAP Course Number

17

UCEAP Course Suffix

UCEAP Official Title

ENVIRONMENTAL ADVOCACY AND ACTIVISM

UCEAP Transcript Title

ENVIRONMNT ADVOCACY

UCEAP Quarter Units

6.00

UCEAP Semester Units

4.00

Course Description

This course offers students an opportunity to examine how environmental politics are played out within society. Students examine the intersection of environmental concerns, power relations, advocacy, and activism. The study of advocacy and activism campaigns and case studies focus on mapping the evolution of a controversy, teasing out the distinctions between advocacy and activism, analysing the role of popular culture, managing social and traditional media, and identifying successful interventions that have an impact on environmental policy and decision making processes. Key questions explored during the course include: How do citizens make sense of and respond to initiatives that have potentially damaging consequences for society?; How do science, business and activists attempt to persuade?; How are power relations invoked, challenged and negated within environmental advocacy and activist campaigns?; and What role does popular culture play in creating and sustaining particular valuing systems and cultures?

Language(s) of Instruction

English

Host Institution Course Number

ARTS1241

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ENVIRONMENTAL ADVOCACY AND ACTIVISM

Host Institution Campus

New South Wales

Host Institution Faculty

Host Institution Degree

Host Institution Department

Humanities and Languages

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