COURSE DETAIL

FOUNDATIONS OF SOCIAL SCIENCES FOR SUSTAINABILITY
Country Netherlands
Host Institution Utrecht University
Program(s) Utrecht University
UCEAP Course Level Lower Division
UCEAP Subject Area(s) Sociology Environmental Studies
UCEAP Course Number 21
UCEAP Course Suffix
UCEAP Official Title FOUNDATIONS OF SOCIAL SCIENCES FOR SUSTAINABILITY
UCEAP Transcript Title SOC SCI SUSTAINBLTY
UCEAP Quarter Units 6.00
UCEAP Semester Units 4.00

Course Description

This course provides insight into the some of the most relevant social sciences and social scientific perspectives commonly used in global sustainability science. It introduces the field of social science – broadly the study of the relationship between individuals in their context within society – and its application to our understanding of environmental issues.This course discusses the skills needed to identify and apply some of the key social science concepts and theories that are commonly used in sustainability science. The first part of the course introduces the study of society, of society's interactions with the environment, and of societal change, thus also demonstrating the specificity of a social scientific perspective on sustainability. The second part of the course examines various social processes of change in nature-society interactions, thus introducing and discussing a range of different, but often complementary theories that are commonly used to conceptualize change toward sustainability. The course is taught through interactive lectures and tutorials, and makes ample use of real world examples and case studies. The course involves diverse learning activities which include concept mapping, small group discussions, writing exercises, and hands-on critiques of students' own implicit assumptions about social processes that are critical for sustainability.

Language(s) of Instruction
English

Host Institution Course Number
GEO1-2413

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Host Institution Campus

Host Institution Faculty

Geosciences

Host Institution Degree

Host Institution Department
Sustainable Development

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