

COURSE DETAIL

NATURE PERCEPTION: THEORIES AND METHODS FOR INVESTIGATION

Country

Denmark

Host Institution

University of Copenhagen

Program(s)

University of Copenhagen

UCEAP Course Level

Upper Division

UCEAP Subject Area(s)

Geography Environmental Studies

UCEAP Course Number

114

UCEAP Course Suffix**UCEAP Official Title**

NATURE PERCEPTION: THEORIES AND METHODS FOR INVESTIGATION

UCEAP Transcript Title

NATURE PERCEPTION

UCEAP Quarter Units

6.00

UCEAP Semester Units

4.00

Course Description

In this problem and knowledge based course, students learn about their own bias in relation to nature perception, learn about how nature conflicts are embedded in different nature views and values, and analyze various stakeholders in nature perception in theory and exercises. By applied theory and discussions the course explores people's visions, ideas, and values about nature and landscape. Visions, ideas, and values of full time farmers, hobby farmers, foresters, biologists and visitors to the countryside might serve as examples of different and often conflicting interests in the same area. In lectures the students are introduced to different methods, approaches and frameworks for analyzing perceptions of nature, i.e. visions, concepts, images, or views of nature. The course studies frameworks from environmental psychology, anthropology, sociology, environmental ethics, human geography, and landscape research. Concepts such as rewilding; value orientations; environmental framing; social representations; place attachment; myth of nature; faking nature; human-nature relationships; and cultural ecosystem services are addressed. Further, values of selected groups of people are presented and discussed. Based on introductory lectures the use of different frameworks for investigations of perceptions of nature are exercised.

Language(s) of Instruction

English

Host Institution Course Number

LNAK10081U

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Host Institution Campus

Science

Host Institution Faculty

Host Institution Degree

Host Institution Department

Geoscience and Natural Resource Management

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