

COURSE DETAIL

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT

Country

Netherlands

Host Institution

Utrecht University

Program(s)

Utrecht University

UCEAP Course Level

Upper Division

UCEAP Subject Area(s)

Environmental Studies

UCEAP Course Number

105

UCEAP Course Suffix**UCEAP Official Title**

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT

UCEAP Transcript Title

ENVMT IMPACT ASSMNT

UCEAP Quarter Units

6.00

UCEAP Semester Units

4.00

Course Description

This course provides a relevant foundation for policy-making, sustainable development, and environmental law. The course focuses on the differences between Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) and Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA). The course considers international development and how each instrument is made operational in the European Union as well as various other countries, including developing countries. The course presents impact prediction methods, how these methods are used, and the possibilities and limitations to predicting impacts on the environment. The course divides environmental and social aspects into the following themes: water, soil, biodiversity, climate change, social impact assessment, human rights, and cultural heritage. The course emphasizes the possibilities for mitigation and compensation of project impacts. Finally, the course critically discusses the quality and added value of EIA and SEA through aspects such as context, participation, communication, influence on decision making, and quality criteria.

Language(s) of Instruction

English

Host Institution Course Number

GE03-2123

Host Institution Course Title

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT

Host Institution Campus

Geosciences

Host Institution Faculty

Host Institution Degree

Host Institution Department

Sustainable Development

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