## **COURSE DETAIL**

## **ENVIRONMENTAL POLITICS AND POLICY IN EUROPE**

**Country** Germany

**Host Institution** Free University of Berlin

**Program(s)** European Studies

UCEAP Course Level Upper Division

**UCEAP Subject Area(s)** Political Science International Studies Environmental Studies

**UCEAP Course Number** 100

**UCEAP Course Suffix** 

UCEAP Official Title ENVIRONMENTAL POLITICS AND POLICY IN EUROPE

UCEAP Transcript Title EU ENVRNMT POLITICS

**UCEAP Quarter Units** 4.50

UCEAP Semester Units

3.00

## **Course Description**

This course provides an introduction to the EU and its policy on environmental protection and natural resources. After a brief recap of the basics of policy-making in the EU, students learn about the guiding principles and developments within the EU's environmental policy. Subsequently, the course covers the major environmental challenges currently faced by the EU. The first part of the course discusses the functioning of the European Union to be able to better understand the factors influencing European environmental policy and politics. The course also looks at the European reaction to climate change and discusses the effectiveness of the main solutions to this global problem: the development of renewable sources of energy and the different ways of pricing carbon. The course devotes a special session to the EU's role in climate negotiations. The second part of the course is devoted to different forms of pollution, such as air, noise, water, and soil pollution, as well as humanity's impact on biodiversity loss. In this part of the course students discuss the main prerequisites for making the European transport sector more sustainable and European cities greener and smarter. The last session is devoted to discussing the challenges and the opportunities for the future of environmental policy.

Language(s) of Instruction

English

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