COURSE DETAIL

ENVIRONMENT AND SOCIETY: SCIENCE, POLICY AND ACTION

Country
United Kingdom - England

Host Institution
London School of Economics

Program(s)
Summer at London School of Economics

UCEAP Course Level
Upper Division

UCEAP Subject Area(s)
Geography Environmental Studies

UCEAP Course Number
130

UCEAP Course Suffix
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UCEAP Official Title
ENVIRONMENT AND SOCIETY: SCIENCE, POLICY AND ACTION

UCEAP Transcript Title
GOVERNING CLIMATE

UCEAP Quarter Units
5.50

UCEAP Semester Units

3.70

Course Description

This course examines the relationship between science, policy and society. It explores how different knowledge traditions – the scientific method, post-positivist science, Indigenous and local knowledges, citizen science, and the knowledge-industrial complex – converge or collide in real policy arenas. It focuses on translation and impact: how evidence informs legislation, markets and multilateral agreements; how scientists and communities communicate more effectively with policymakers; and how non-expert knowledge can reframe agendas. Learning is interactive, combining lectures, class discussions and practical activities to critique “truth” claims and better understand evidence-informed action.

Language(s) of Instruction
English

Host Institution Course Number
IR104

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Host Institution Course Details
https://www.lse.ac.uk/study-at-lse/summer-schools/summer-school/courses/interna…

Host Institution Campus
LSE

Host Institution Faculty

Host Institution Degree

Host Institution Department
Department of Geography and Environment

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