

# COURSE DETAIL

## INTRODUCTION TO ENVIRONMENTAL ECONOMICS

**Country**

France

**Host Institution**

Institut d'Etudes Politiques (Sciences Po)

**Program(s)**

Sciences Po Paris

**UCEAP Course Level**

Upper Division

**UCEAP Subject Area(s)**

Environmental Studies Economics

**UCEAP Course Number**

159

**UCEAP Course Suffix**

B

**UCEAP Official Title**

INTRODUCTION TO ENVIRONMENTAL ECONOMICS

**UCEAP Transcript Title**

INTRO ENVRNMNT ECON

**UCEAP Quarter Units**

4.50

**UCEAP Semester Units**

3.00

### **Course Description**

This course introduces the field of environmental economics, which is concerned with the impact of the economy on the environment, the significance of the environment to the economy, and the appropriate way of regulating economic activity so that a balance is achieved among environmental, economic, and other social goals. It discusses how economic analysis can guide public policy to efficient utilization of these resources in a world of increasing scarcity and competing demands. The course investigates why unregulated markets cause environmental problems, what the socially optimal degree of environmental protection is and how can it be determined, and how the government can regulate the economy to protect the environment more efficiently. It equips the toolkit of an environmental economist and discusses the major environmental problem of our time: global warming. Moreover, the course discusses other environmental issues such as air pollution and biodiversity loss.

### **Language(s) of Instruction**

English

### **Host Institution Course Number**

AECO 25A20

### **Host Institution Course Title**

INTRODUCTION TO ENVIRONMENTAL ECONOMICS

### **Host Institution Campus**

### **Host Institution Faculty**

### **Host Institution Degree**

Core Seminar

### **Host Institution Department**

Economics

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