

## COURSE DETAIL

### EVOLUTION OF ECOLOGY IN FRENCH POLITICS AND SOCIETY

**Country**

France

**Host Institution**

University of Lyon 2

**Program(s)**

University of Lyon

**UCEAP Course Level**

Upper Division

**UCEAP Subject Area(s)**

Environmental Studies

**UCEAP Course Number**

109

**UCEAP Course Suffix****UCEAP Official Title**

EVOLUTION OF ECOLOGY IN FRENCH POLITICS AND SOCIETY

**UCEAP Transcript Title**

ECOLOGY/FR POL &SOC

**UCEAP Quarter Units**

4.50

**UCEAP Semester Units**

3.00

## Course Description

This course is specialized for international students. It offers a contemporary history of political ecology in France, from the mid-19th century to present day. The course covers how the environmental issue has gradually become more and more political and cultural over the years, and how historiography has tended to favor the hypothesis of a delay in the emergence of this issue in France, in contrast to the situation in the United States. After recalling the main historical milestones (the creation of national parks in the United States, the National Trust in Great Britain), it looks at the first forms of identifying and safeguarding areas identified as "natural," using the example of tourism and the protection of remarkable sites. The course discusses how this process developed and amplified in the twentieth century, as industrialization and urbanization increased, with experiments such as allotments and debates on the return to the land; and finally, in the last third of the twentieth century, intellectual and popular movements took up environmental issues (Friends of the Earth, Larzac movement) and helped place them on the public agenda. The course reflects on the convergences and tensions as seen from the cities or from the countryside, by linking two historiographical traditions: urban and environmental history, and rural and agricultural history.

## Language(s) of Instruction

French

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## Host Institution Campus

## Host Institution Faculty

## Host Institution Degree

## Host Institution Department

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