

COURSE DETAIL

WASTE AND SOCIETY

Country

Australia

Host Institution

University of New South Wales

Program(s)

University of New South Wales

UCEAP Course Level

Upper Division

UCEAP Subject Area(s)

Environmental Studies

UCEAP Course Number

113

UCEAP Course Suffix

UCEAP Official Title

WASTE AND SOCIETY

UCEAP Transcript Title

WASTE AND SOCIETY

UCEAP Quarter Units

6.00

UCEAP Semester Units

4.00

Course Description

This course examines the historical, social and cultural implications of the wastes generated by human society. Dimensions and topics you study include: life cycles of materials, how we make knowledge about waste, the social implications of waste management technologies, 'legacy' issues and the 'colonization of the future' by wastes. Our waste stream examples include plastics, water and sewage, nuclear materials, industrial sea dumping, international trade in toxic wastes, domestic landfill, and the creation of 'wastelands' and contaminated sites. Students explore solutions to the generation of wastes by studying the precautionary principle, environmental justice, international waste conventions and treaties, and regulatory and community responses to waste.

Language(s) of Instruction

English

Host Institution Course Number

ARTS2243

Host Institution Course Title

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Host Institution Course Details

<http://www.handbook.unsw.edu.au/undergraduate/courses/2014/ARTS2243.html>

Host Institution Campus

New South Wales

Host Institution Faculty

Host Institution Degree

Host Institution Department

Arts and Social Science

Course Last Reviewed

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