COURSE DETAIL

ANTHROPOLOGY AND CLIMATE CHANGE

Country
United Kingdom - England

Host Institution
Exeter College, University of Oxford

Program(s)
Summer in Oxford, Exeter College

UCEAP Course Level
Upper Division

UCEAP Subject Area(s)
Anthropology

UCEAP Course Number
103

UCEAP Course Suffix
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UCEAP Official Title
ANTHROPOLOGY AND CLIMATE CHANGE

UCEAP Transcript Title
ANTH&CLIMATE CHANGE

UCEAP Quarter Units
6.00

UCEAP Semester Units

4.00

Course Description

Climate change exemplifies the sort of planetary challenge facing humankind in the 21st century. In this course, students explore how that kind of challenge can be understood as a scientific, political, social, and moral problem, to better understand our place in the world under conditions of multiple and interlocking crises. The course introduces the Anthropocene, as both a proposed geological phenomenon and a critical tool to rethink the relationship between humans and the planet. Pursuing this question require students to question some established distinctions—between human/animal, nature/culture, biology/society, life/nonlife, and Globe/Earth. Through anthropological materials, historical and contemporary accounts of life in the aftermath of industrial transformation, colonization and anthropogenic change, the course considers the types of knowledge, forms of collaboration, political engagement, and social practice that might help us better apprehend the fragility of the planet and articulate a shared responsibility to its future.

Language(s) of Instruction
English

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Host Institution Course Details
https://www.exeter.ox.ac.uk/summer-programmes/ecsp/subjects/

Host Institution Campus

Host Institution Faculty

Host Institution Degree

Host Institution Department

Course Last Reviewed
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