

COURSE DETAIL

CLIMATE JUSTICE

Country

United Kingdom - England

Host Institution

University of Sussex

Program(s)

Summer in Sussex

UCEAP Course Level

Lower Division

UCEAP Subject Area(s)

Environmental Studies

UCEAP Course Number

11

UCEAP Course Suffix

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UCEAP Official Title

CLIMATE JUSTICE

UCEAP Transcript Title

CLIMATE JUSTICE

UCEAP Quarter Units

6.00

UCEAP Semester Units

Course Description

This course introduces the concept of climate justice through the world-leading sustainability research being done at the University of Sussex. Climate justice brings a focus on social equity and historical responsibility to understandings of climate change. It recognizes that climate change exacerbates existing inequalities and has a disproportionately high impact on those who are least responsible for causing the problem. In this course, explore questions of extractivism, climate responsibility, finance and funding, ecosystem uncertainty and activism through a series of lectures, case studies, seminars and workshops. Learn about the colonial roots of contemporary environmental justice conflicts and the range of responses proposed to the climate crisis, while working in groups to discuss, design and propose alternatives. The course is both solutions-focused and interactive, students have the chance to work in groups throughout as you reflect collectively on how they would address particular challenges. Teaching is conducted both inside and outside of the classroom, with workshops taking place in the landscape of the Brighton & Lewes Downs Biosphere Reserve and South Downs National Park. Assessments encourage students to engage proactively in practical examples of climate justice and develop their public communication skills. Students work on a short group-produced presentation, podcast or video to explore a debate or an example of local activism, and the final assessment will be a blog designed to enhance public understanding of climate justice.

Language(s) of Instruction

English

Host Institution Course Number

IS448

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CLIMATE JUSTICE

Host Institution Campus

University of Sussex

Host Institution Faculty

Global Studies

Host Institution Degree

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