

## COURSE DETAIL

### PSYCHOLOGY AND THE SUSTAINABLE TRANSITION

**Country**

France

**Host Institution**

Institut d'Etudes Politiques (Sciences Po)

**Program(s)**

Sciences Po Paris

**UCEAP Course Level**

Upper Division

**UCEAP Subject Area(s)**

Sociology Psychology

**UCEAP Course Number**

108

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

PSYCHOLOGY AND THE SUSTAINABLE TRANSITION

**UCEAP Transcript Title**

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**UCEAP Quarter Units**

4.50

**UCEAP Semester Units**

3.00

## Course Description

Humanity is facing an unprecedented ecological crisis for which it is the main driving force. Although globally, people report high levels of concern for climate change and a high willingness to act, this concern is often not reflected in people's actual behavior. What can explain this gap between people's reported desire to protect the environment and the lack of collective action around the environmental crises? This course explores the many factors that can act as barriers to climate action, such as people's tendency to favor short-term outcomes over long-term outcomes, the tension between seeking a high social status and reducing one's carbon footprint, the feeling that it may be too late to act, or the feeling that taking action is only worth it if others are also taking action.

### Language(s) of Instruction

English

### Host Institution Course Number

DSOC 25A36

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### Host Institution Campus

### Host Institution Faculty

### Host Institution Degree

Seminar

### Host Institution Department

Sociology

### Course Last Reviewed

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