COURSE DETAIL

CRITICAL GEOGRAPHIES OF CLIMATE CHANGE

Country

United Kingdom - England

Host Institution

King's College London

Program(s)

King's College London

UCEAP Course Level

Upper Division

UCEAP Subject Area(s)

Geography

UCEAP Course Number

151

UCEAP Course Suffix

UCEAP Official Title

CRITICAL GEOGRAPHIES OF CLIMATE CHANGE

UCEAP Transcript Title

GEOG/CLIMATE CHANGE

UCEAP Quarter Units

6.00

UCEAP Semester Units

4.00

Course Description

This course introduces students to the social dimensions of climate and climate change. The course takes a critical analysis of the dominant international process to mitigate climate change emissions, comprising of the IPCC, UNFCCC process and the Paris Accord. We will explore the different ways in which climate knowledge is constructed and how climate is represented and articulated in society. Existing discourses of climate change are placed in an historical perspective, and alternative aims for climate change mitigation explored. The course begins with a history of the discovery of climate change and an outline of the global governance regime for climate mitigation, as manifested through the Paris Agreement, UNFCCC process, and the IPCC reports. We will then critically analyse this process, by discussing the assumptions that underpin it, the unintended consequences of action to fight climate change, and alternative measures and outcomes that are not covered within the UNFCCC process.

Language(s) of Instruction

English

Host Institution Course Number

6SSG3073

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Host Institution Campus

Host Institution Faculty

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