

COURSE DETAIL

INTRODUCTION TO ENVIRONMENTAL HISTORY

Country

United Kingdom - England

Host Institution

University College London

Program(s)

University College London

UCEAP Course Level

Upper Division

UCEAP Subject Area(s)

History

UCEAP Course Number

136

UCEAP Course Suffix**UCEAP Official Title**

INTRODUCTION TO ENVIRONMENTAL HISTORY

UCEAP Transcript Title

INTRO ENVIRON HIST

UCEAP Quarter Units

6.00

UCEAP Semester Units

4.00

Course Description

From climate change to mass extinction, the reach of the human species is inescapable across the natural world. At the same time, ranging from our microbiome to our mental health, the natural world is inescapable in our own lives. Despite tremendous technological advances, nature and humanity are inextricably entangled. This survey course explores the many ways that humans and nature have collided, and the many ways our species has understood other species and non-living things. Ranging widely across space and time, students explore how humans created the idea of “nature” as something apart from themselves and the ramifications of that idea, how we might do history from the standpoint of other species, the effects of pre-modern and modern humans on the natural world, and environmental inequalities around how toxic pollution or other environmental harms are differentially borne according to race, class, and gender.

Language(s) of Instruction

English

Host Institution Course Number

HIST0945

Host Institution Course Title

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Host Institution Course Details

<https://www.ucl.ac.uk/module-catalogue/modules/introduction-to-environmental-hi...>

Host Institution Campus

Host Institution Faculty

Host Institution Degree

Host Institution Department

History

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