

1. Informations générales :

Titre du cours :	Politics & the environment		
NOM de l'enseignant·e :	HATHAWAY Esther	Semestre :	Fall
Public visé :	☐ 1 ^{ère} année ☐ 2 ^{ème} année ☒ 1 ^{ère} année et 2 ^{ème} année	Langue :	☐ français ☒ anglais
Nombre maximal d'étudiant·es :	☐ 20 ☐ 30 ☐ 40 ☐ 50 ☒ Pas de maximum	Organisation du cours :	☒ 9 séances de 2h sur 9 semaines ☐ 12 séances de 1h30 sur 12 semaines ☐ 12 séances de 1h30 sur 6 semaines ☐ 6 séances de 3h sur 12 semaines

2. Résumé du cours :

The goal of this course is to critically examine how individuals, societies, and governments respond to socio-ecological complexity, and how these actors shape green political action at a time when the global ecological crisis is no longer in doubt. This course is **not** a comprehensive overview of the literature in political ecology or environmental governance, but rather aims to offer a sense of *ecologism* as a distinctive ideology that developed as a reaction to the ecological crisis. Together, we will explore some of the fundamental theories and notions that underlie the relationship between the environment, politics, and society, with a primary focus on Western democracies.

3. Pré-requis éventuels :

None

4. Modalités de contrôle des connaissances et des compétences envisagées :

The final project for this course is a critical analysis of a current event. Grading is based on a progressive “dossier” of research and writing, as well as the final paper.

5. Description détaillée du cours (facultatif)

The course is divided into two distinct sections. The first section, "Ecologism", focuses on the ideas, questions and concepts that contribute to the ideological movement known as ecologism.

The second section, “Politics and the environment”, addresses the main actors and institutions that drive environmental politics and policymaking, nationally and globally.

At the end of the course, students will be able to:

- Identify the main intellectual currents that have contributed to ecologism
- Demonstrate knowledge of (some of) the ways that Western societies have reacted to the environmental crisis,
- Identify political institutions, policy processes, and power relations that bring about environmental policy
- Reflect on linkages between social, political, and ecological systems,
- Pursue their own interests and inquiries from perspectives rooted in political ecology and environmental politics.