

Summer School and Workshop on Political Ecology, Environmental Justice, and Conflicts

Barcelona, July 2nd – July 11th 2012



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This course (in English, for masters and doctoral students) (20 hours of lectures, 2.5 ETCS) examines the global movement for environmental justice and focuses on socio-environmental conflicts at different scales and in different forms. The course is based on lectures and discussions and will also use videos and other materials prepared by ICTA/UAB researchers on their own research. The course is linked to some of the European research projects at ICTA: EJOLT, ENGOV, CLICO and URBLIV.

The course is divided into three parts: a first introductory section on theoretical underpinnings of environmental justice and conflicts, a second section presenting and discussing cases and dimensions of environmental conflicts (including climate justice, hydric justice, mining, oil and forest resources conflicts, and urban conflicts) and a third section on mechanisms to address and redress environmental injustice and inequalities.

The course can be taken for credit and is recognized by the European Transfer Credit System. It will be taught by Isabelle Anguelovski, Marco Armiero, Stefania Barca, Robert Bullard, Giorgos Kallis, Joan Martínez-Alier, David Szablowski, Jesus Ramos Martin, and associated ICTA researchers. Course sessions will take place at the UAB in Cerdanyola del Vallès, close to Barcelona.

International Workshop on Environmental Justice and Conflicts (July 5th and 6th)



The workshop will be organized around keynote presentations and three roundtables. Speakers for the workshop include Stefania Barca, Robert Bullard, David Pellow, Lisa Sun-Hee Park, Peter Newell, David Szablowski and Rikard Warlenius. It will take place at La Pedrera, a building designed by the architect Antoni Gaudí in the Eixample district of Barcelona.

Roundtable 1: Conducting Environmental Justice (EJ) studies: challenges of methods and approaches (qualitative, quantitative, and mixed methods; action or collaborative research vs. individual research; rural versus urban research; and multidisciplinary research)

Roundtable 2: The breadth of environmental justice research: What is EJ scholarship? What is the role and place of conflicts (open and latent) in EJ studies? What are the cutting-edge and relevant types of EJ studies?

Roundtable 3: Needed and future directions for EJ research. What issues need to be examined? What are the theories that require further development? Where does EJ start and where does it stop? How can we incorporate feminist approaches? How can we move beyond the North South divide and engage in critical comparative research?

Course + Workshop fee: 350€
Workshop only, including materials and coffee breaks: 40€

Deadline for Application: April 30th 2012. Please send CV + one-page cover letter to
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