

This course provides a critical understanding of environmental crimes, justice and politics around the globe. The course takes an interdisciplinary approach, providing criminological, sociological and legal perspectives on environmental crimes. We will start the course by discussing concepts of ecological harm and environmental crime, and how they have been responded to at a juridical level. We will also closely examine the ecological harm carried out by various legal and illegal actors, including public and private actors. Following this, we will review environmental laws and policies that are being implemented as the result of and in prevention of further environmental harms. We will also discuss the political economy of climate change mitigation efforts and ecocide as a socio-legal concept. This will be followed by a close examination of legal perspectives to green crimes, focusing on human rights and climate change litigation cases and protests around the world.