INR506 Environmental Politics

Elective Course for Graduate Programs

Credit: 3 ECTS: 7,5







Course Description: This post-graduate elective course examines the political aspects of environmental protection policies. Students will investigate various facets of global environmental governance throughout the semester, analyzing the roles of nation-states, environmental activists, scientists, and companies in shaping global politics. The course focuses on vital concerns such as climate change, biodiversity conservation, and endangered species, emphasizing the importance of international cooperation in addressing these pressing challenges. By the end of the course, students will have developed a thorough understanding of global governance institutions and the political dynamics that impact responses to environmental concerns. They will also be given the tools to access internet data sources and communicate with key figures in global environmental politics.

Course Outcomes:

- Recognize the fundamental structures of global governance and the roles played by nation-states, environmental activists, scientists, and corporations in global politics.
- Comprehend the factors contributing to the effectiveness or ineffectiveness of global environmental governance and the reasons behind it.
- Identify the political dynamics influencing responses to specific global environmental issues, including climate change, ozone layer depletion, forests, biodiversity, oceans, chemicals, and waste management.
- Enhance their knowledge of global environmental politics, including utilizing online data sources and analysis, exploring secondary literature, and engaging with key scholars and writers in the field.