



Human Dimensions of Ecology: Decolonizing Nature (EEOB 5194)

Room: McPherson 1008

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How can ecology adapt to reckon with both our global challenges of structural racism and environmental change?

Course description: This course provides students with an in-depth and critical exploration of the human dimensions of ecology as a pathway for addressing issues of diversity, equity, inclusion, and justice in ecology. By drawing on interdisciplinary studies and literature from ecology and the social sciences, this course addresses the intersection between social inequities and global ecological crises as the most pressing challenges of our times. During the course of the semester we will:

1. Examine how human dimensions of ecology are addressed in emerging ecological concerns.
2. Consider how science as social process impacts ecological research.
3. Center the ecological knowledge of people marginalized within typical ecological understanding, including that of displaced peoples within ecology.



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