

Course Outline

EST 361

HISTORY OF THE AMERICAN ENVIRONMENTAL MOVEMENT

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DESCRIPTION

Overview

This upper-division course examines the historical and cultural origins and evolution of the complex, multifaceted, social phenomenon called the American environmental movement, including the events, philosophies and historical/ cultural processes that marked and continue to drive various competing attitudes toward nature. Course sessions examine conservationism, preservationism, early urban environmental reform, the 'second wave' of environmental activism in the 1960s and '70s, the environmental justice movement, and contemporary movements including transnational environmental advocacy. Course methods utilized include reading, writing, lectures, films/ videos, discussion and debate. As a final project, students employ course concepts, frameworks and understandings in researching and writing a term paper on an historical or contemporary American environmental advocate, organization, campaign, or issue.

Objectives

By the completion of this course, students should be able to:

- Demonstrate familiarity with key moments in the history of the American environmental movement, including conservationism, preservationism, early urban reform movements, the 'second wave' of environmental concern, the environmental justice movement, and contemporary movements including transnational environmental advocacy;
- Relate contextual environmental, social, political, economic, and cultural factors with the rise, fall, rebirth, diversification, development, successes and limitations of the American environmental movement;
- Successfully employ concepts from social movement theory in developing insights about the formation, development and impacts of the American environmental movement; and
- Demonstrate proficiency in applying basic course concepts and analytical frameworks in the analysis of a particular historical or contemporary American environmental advocate, organization, campaign or issue.

Requirements

- Read all required texts and view all in-class films and videos;
- Participate in course discussions and debates;
- Complete three, take-home short (3-5 pp.) essay assignments; and
- Prepare and submit a medium-length (10-12 pp.) term paper.

Grading

Essays (3), 50%

Term paper, 35%

Attendance and participation, 15%

Communication

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TEXTS

Required

Nash, Roderick F. 2001. *Wilderness and the American Mind*, 4th ed. New Haven: Yale University Press. ISBN 9-780300-09122-9

Gottlieb, Robert. 2005. *Forcing the Spring: The Transformation of the American Environmental Movement*, 2nd ed. Washington, DC: Island Press. ISBN 1-55963-832-X

Cole, Luke W., and Sheila R. Foster. 2001. *From the Ground Up: Environmental Racism and the Rise of the Environmental Justice Movement*. New York: NYU Press. ISBN 0-8147-1537-0

Spath, James G. 2008. *The Bridge at the End of the World: Capitalism, the Environment, and Crossing from Crisis to Sustainability*. New Haven: Yale University Press. ISBN 9-780300-15115-2

Recommended

Merchant, Carolyn, ed. 2011. *Major Problems in American Environmental History: Documents and Essays*, 3rd ed. Boston: Wadsworth/ Cengage Learning. ISBN 978-0-495-91242-2

Kline, Benjamin. 2010. *First Along the River: A Brief History of the US Environmental Movement*, 4th ed. Lanham, MD: Rowman & Littlefield. ISBN 978-1-4422-0399-0

Guha, Ramachandra. 2000. *Environmentalism: A Global History*. New York: Addison Wesley Longman. ISBN 0-321-01169-4

Merchant, Carolyn. 2005. *Radical Ecology: The Search for a Livable World*, 2nd ed. New York: Routledge. ISBN 0-415-93578-4

Bookstore

Follett's Orange Bookstore, Marshall Square Mall, 720 University Ave., tel. 315.478.6821

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FILMS AND VIDEOS

"The Wilderness Idea: John Muir, Gifford Pinchot and the First Great Battle..." (Tues., 9/13)

"Aldo Leopold: A Sand County Almanac" (Thurs., 9/15)

"Earth Days: Seeds of a Revolution" (Tues., 10/4)

"Rachel Carson's Silent Spring" (Thurs., 10/13)

"Cesar Chavez: Pesticides Kill Farmworkers" (Tues., 11/1)

"In Our Own Back Yard: The First Love Canal" (Tues., 11/8)

"Dr. Gus Speth at the Garrison Institute" (Tues., 11/15)

ASSIGNMENTS

Essay #1, "Early American Environmental Movements" (due Tues., 9/27)

Essay #2, "American Environmentalism: The Second Wave" (due Tues., 10/25)

Essay #3, "The Environmental Justice Movement" (due Tues., 11/15)

Term paper (see below)

TERM PAPER

Assignment. A detailed assignment will be handed out during **Week 7**.

Proposal. By **Week 10**, submit a short, 1 p., proposal describing the historical or contemporary American environmental advocate, organization, campaign, or issue that you would like to examine in your term paper.

Abstract, outline and bibliography. By **Week 12**, submit a working abstract, outline and bibliography for your term paper.

Specifications. Term papers should be ~10-12 pp. in length, double-spaced, 11 or 12 pt. Times New Roman, *plus* coversheet and bibliography.

Extra credit. Students may receive extra credit on this assignment for thoughtfully and appropriately incorporating material from their term paper in an already-existing or new Wikipedia entry on that topic. All Wikipedia conventions including user registration, documentation of sources, neutral point of view, etc., must be observed.

Deadline. Due at the beginning of the regularly scheduled **Final Exam** period for this course.

SCHEDULE OVERVIEW

(See next page)

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Schedule Overview

<i>Wk</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>Required Reading</i>	<i>Lecture</i>	<i>Film/ Video</i>	<i>Discussion</i>	<i>Small Groups</i>	<i>Debate</i>	<i>Assgn Due</i>
1	Tu 8/30		X		X			
	Th 9/1	WI, 1-2	X		X			
2	Tu 9/6	WI, 3-5	X		X			
	Th 9/8	WI, 6-7	X			X		
3	Tu 9/13	WI, 10		X	X			
	Th 9/15	WI, 11-13		X		X		
4	Tu 9/20	WI, 14-15	X		X			
	Th 9/22	WI, 16					X	
5	Tu 9/27	FtS, 1-2	X		X			Essay#1
	Th 9/29	*** NO CLASS ***						
6	Tu 10/4	FtS, 3		X				
	Th 10/6	FtS, 4	X			X		
7	Tu 10/11	FtS, 5	X			X		
	Th 10/13	FtS, 6		X	X			
8	Tu 10/18	FtS, 7	X		X			
	Th 10/20	FtS, 8					X	
9	Tu 10/25	GU, 1	X		X			Essay#2
	Th 10/27	GU, 2-3	X			X		
10	Tu 11/1	GU, 4	X	X	X			#T-1
	Th 11/3	GU, 6	X			X		
11	Tu 11/8	GU, 5	X	X	X			
	Th 11/10	GU, 7					X	
12	Tu 11/15	Br, 1-2	X	X	X			Essay#3
	Th 11/17	Br, 3	X			X		#T-2
*** THANKSGIVING BREAK ***								
13	Tu 11/29	Br, 4-6	X		X			
	Th 12/1	Br, 7-9	X			X		
14	Tu 12/6	Br, 10-11	X		X			
	Th 12/8	Br, 12					X	
F	TBD							#T-3

KeyWI = *Wilderness Idea*, NashFtS = *Forcing the Spring*, GottliebGU = *From the Ground Up*, Cole & FosterBr = *Bridge at the End of the World*, Speth

SCHEDULE DETAIL

PART I: EARLY AMERICAN ENVIRONMENTAL MOVEMENTS

Week 1 – Introduction

Tues., 8/30: Course introduction

Why an historical perspective?

Aims of this course

Assumptions

Syllabus review

Thurs., 9/1: First environmentalists

Lecture: *The Wilderness Idea* - Introduction

Discussion

REQUIRED:

Nash, *Wilderness*, prologue, ch's 1, 2

RECOMMENDED:

Merchant, *Problems*, ch's 2-4

Kline, *First Along the River*, ch's 1-2

Guha, *Global Environmentalism*, ch 1

ADDITIONAL:

Cronon, William. 1983. *Changes in the Land: Indians, Colonists, and the Ecology of New England*. NY: Hill and Wang.

Spence, Mark D. 1999. *Dispossessing the Wilderness: Indian Removal and the Making of the National Parks*. NY: Oxford Univ. Press

Week 2 – The Wilderness Idea

Tues., 9/6: Romantic wilderness

Romantic wilderness

American Wilderness

Henry David Thoreau

Discussion

REQUIRED:

Nash, *Wilderness*, ch's 3-5

RECOMMENDED:

Merchant, *Problems*, ch 6

Kline, *First Along the River*, ch 3

Guha, *Global Environmentalism*, ch 2

ADDITIONAL:

Thoreau, Henry D. 1854. *Walden*. Available: <http://thoreau.eserver.org/walden00.html>

Thurs., 9/8: American preservationism

"Preserve the Wilderness!"

Small groups

REQUIRED:

Nash, *Wilderness*, ch's 6, 7

RECOMMENDED:

Merchant, *Problems*, ch's 8, 9, 11

Kline, *First Along the River*, ch 4

Guha, *Global Environmentalism*, ch 4

ADDITIONAL:

Muir, John. 1901. *Our National Parks*. Available:

http://www.sierraclub.org/john_muir_exhibit/writings/our_national_parks/

Week 3 – Conservationism & Preservationism

Tues., 9/13: Utilitarianism and the multiple-use ethic

Film: PBS, "The Wilderness Idea: John Muir, Gifford Pinchot and the First Great Battle for Wilderness" (2008), 58 min.

Discussion

REQUIRED:

Nash, *Wilderness*, ch 10

RECOMMENDED:

Merchant, *Problems*, ch's 10-11

Kline, *First Along the River*, ch 5

Guha, *Global Environmentalism*, ch 3

ADDITIONAL:

Pinchot, Gifford. 1905. "Work in the Woods". Ch. 2 in *A Primer of Forestry*.

Part II: Practical Forestry. US Forest Service, Washington, DC. Available:

<http://tinyurl.com/3n4wv6j>.

Thurs., 9/15: Toward a philosophy of wilderness

Lecture

Film: Wisconsin ETV, "Aldo Leopold: A Sand County Almanac" (1994), 28 min.

Small groups

REQUIRED:

Nash, *Wilderness*, ch's 11-13

RECOMMENDED:

Merchant, *Problems*, ch 13

Guha, *Global Environmentalism*, ch 4

ADDITIONAL:

Marshall, Bob. 1930. "The Problem of the Wilderness," *Scientific Monthly* 30 (2): 141-148. Available: <http://tinyurl.com/3o3le9c>.

Week 4 – The Irony of Victory

Tues., 9/20: The irony of victory

Lecture

Debate preparation

REQUIRED:

Nash, *Wilderness*, ch's 14, 15

RECOMMENDED:

Merchant, *Problems*, ch 14

ADDITIONAL:

Gottlieb, Robert. 1993. "Reconstructing Environmentalism: Complex Movements, Diverse Roots," *Environmental History Review* 17(4): 1-19. Available: <http://www.jstor.org/stable/3984644>.

Marshall, Bob. 2005 [1956]. *Alaska Wilderness: Exploring the Central Brooks Range*, 3rd ed. Berkeley: Univ California Press.

Thurs., 9/22: International perspectives

Debate: "Greatest Good or 'Forever Wild'?"

REQUIRED:

Nash, *Wilderness*, ch 16, epilogue

RECOMMENDED:

Merchant, *Problems*, ch 15

Kline, *First Along the River*, ch's 8, 10, 11

ADDITIONAL:

Pinchot, Gifford. 1905. "Forestry Abroad and at Home". Ch. 4 in *A Primer of Forestry. Part II: Practical Forestry*. US Forest Service, Washington, DC. Available: <http://tinyurl.com/3nmy84>.

Simonian, Lane. 1995. *Defending the Land of the Jaguar: A History of Conservation in Mexico*. Austin: University of Texas Press.

*** Essay #1 – Early Environmental Movements (due Tues., 9/27) ***

PART II: AMERICAN ENVIRONMENTALISM: THE SECOND WAVE

Week 5 – Early Urban Reform Movements

Tues., 9/27: Urbanization, health and the environment

Urban and industrial roots of American environmentalism

Discussion

REQUIRED:

Gottlieb, *Forcing the Spring*, intro, ch's 1, 2 (pp. xiii-120)

RECOMMENDED:

Merchant, *Problems*, ch's 5, 12

Kline, *First Along the River*, ch 4

ADDITIONAL:

Tarr, Joel A. 1996. *The Search for the Ultimate Sink: Urban Pollution in Historical Perspective*. Akron, OH: Univ Akron Press.

Taylor, Dorceta E. 2009. *The Environment and People in American Cities, 1600s-1900s: Disorder, Inequality, and Social Change*. Durham, NC: Duke Univ Press.

Thurs., 9/29: NO CLASS

Week 6 – American Environmentalism in the 1960s, '70s, and '80s

Tues., 10/4: 1960s environmentalism

Film: PBS, "Earth Days: The Seeds of a Revolution" (2010), 2 hrs.

REQUIRED:

Gottlieb, *Forcing the Spring*, ch 3

RECOMMENDED:

Merchant, *Problems*, ch's 13-14

Kline, *First Along the River*, ch 6

Guha, *Global Environmentalism*, prologue (Part II), ch 5

ADDITIONAL:

Brulle, Robert J. 2000. *Agency, Democracy, and Nature: The US Environmental Movement from a Critical Theory Perspective*. Cambridge, MA: MIT Press

Dunlap, Riley E., and Angela G. Mertig. 1991. "The Evolution of the US Environmental Movement from 1970 to 1990: An Overview," *Society & Natural Resources* 4(3): 209-218.

Dunlap, Riley E. 1992. "Trends in Public Opinion Toward Environmental Issues: 1965-1990". Ch. 8 in *American Environmentalism: The US Environmental Movement, 1970-1990*, eds. Riley E. Dunlap and Angela G. Mertig. Philadelphia: Taylor & Francis.

Thurs., 10/6: The professionalization of environmentalism

Mainstreaming environmentalism

Small groups

REQUIRED:

Gottlieb, *Forcing the Spring*, ch 4

RECOMMENDED:

Kline, *First Along the River*, ch's 7-10

ADDITIONAL:

Mitchell, Robert Cameron, Angela G. Mertig, and Riley E. Dunlap. 1991. "Twenty Years of Environmental Mobilization: Trends Among National environmental Organizations," *Society & Natural Resources* 4(3): 219-234.

McCloskey, Michael. 1992. "Twenty Years of Change in the Environmental Movement: An Insider's View". Ch. 7 in *American Environmentalism: The US Environmental Movement, 1970-1990*, eds. Riley E. Dunlap and Angela G. Mertig. Philadelphia: Taylor & Francis.

Week 7 – Grassroots Response

Tues., 10/11: Alternative environmental movements

From the grassroots
Small groups

REQUIRED:

Gottlieb, *Forcing the Spring*, ch 5

RECOMMENDED:

Kline, *First Along the River*, ch 7

ADDITIONAL:

Epstein, Barbara. 1991. *Political Protest & Cultural Revolution: Nonviolent Direct Action in the 1970s and 1980s*. Berkeley: Univ California Press.

Freudenberg, Nicholas, and Carol Steinsapir. 1991. "Not in Our Backyards: the Grassroots Environmental Movement," *Society & Natural Resources* 4(3): 235-245.

Merchant, Carolyn. 2005. "Green Politics". Ch. 7 in *Radical Ecology: The Search for a Livable World*, 2nd ed. New York: Routledge.

Szasz, Andrew. 1994. *EcoPopulism: Toxic Waste and the Movement for Environmental Justice*. Minneapolis: Univ Minnesota Press.

Thurs., 10/13: Women's role in environmental activism

Film: PBS, "Rachel Carson's Silent Spring" (2007), 55 min.

Discussion

Term paper assignment

REQUIRED:

Gottlieb, *Forcing the Spring*, ch 6

RECOMMENDED:

Merchant, *Problems*, ch's 6, 7, 12, 15

ADDITIONAL:

Epstein, Barbara. 1993. "Ecofeminism and Grass-roots Environmentalism in the United States". Ch. 14 in *Toxic Struggles: The Theory and Practice of Environmental Justice*, ed. Richard Hofrichter. Philadelphia: New Society Publishers.

Krauss, Celene. 1993. "Blue Collar Women and Toxic-Waste Protests: The Process of Politicization". Ch. 10 in *Toxic Struggles: The Theory and Practice of Environmental Justice*, ed. Richard Hofrichter. Philadelphia: New Society Publishers.

Merchant, Carolyn. 2005. "Ecofeminism". Ch. 8 in *Radical Ecology: The Search for a Livable World*, 2nd ed. New York: Routledge.

Mies, Marie, and Vandana Shiva. 1993. *Ecofeminism*. Highlands, NJ: Zed Books.

*** Term Paper (due at beginning of Final Exam period) ***

Week 8 – Diversity in American Environmentalism

Tues., 10/18: Race, ethnicity and environmental issues

Lecture

Discussion

Debate preparation

REQUIRED:

Gottlieb, *Forcing the Spring*, ch 7

RECOMMENDED:

Merchant, *Problems*, ch's 4, 6, 7, 15

ADDITIONAL:

Bullard, Robert. 1992. "The Quest for Environmental Equity: Mobilizing the African-American Community for Social Change". Ch. 4 in *American Environmentalism: The US Environmental Movement, 1970-1990*, eds. Riley E. Dunlap and Angela G. Mertig. Philadelphia: Taylor & Francis.

Merchant, Carolyn. 2005. "Environmental Ethics and Political Conflict". Ch. 3 in *Radical Ecology: The Search for a Livable World*, 2nd ed. New York: Routledge.

Roberts, J. Timmons, and Mellisa M. Toffolon-Weiss. 2001. *Chronicles from the Environmental Justice Frontlines*. New York: Cambridge Univ Press

Thurs., 10/20: Work, health and the environment

Debate: "Mainstream vs. Grassroots Environmentalism"

REQUIRED:

Gottlieb, *Forcing the Spring*, ch 8, conclusion, epilogue

RECOMMENDED:

Merchant, *Problems*, ch 12

Berman, Daniel M. 1978. *Death on the Job: Occupational Health and Safety Struggles in the United States*. New York: Monthly Review Press.

Kazis, Richard, and Richard L. Grossman. 1982. *Fear at Work: Job Blackmail, Labor and the Environment*. New York: Pilgrim Press.

ADDITIONAL:

Hofrichter, Richard, ed. 1993. *Toxic Struggles: The Theory and Practice of Environmental Justice*. Philadelphia: New Society Publishers.

Smith, Ted, David A. Sonnenfeld, and David N. Pellow, eds., 2006. *Challenging the Chip: Labor Rights and Environmental Justice in the Global Electronics Industry*. Philadelphia: Temple University Press.

*** Essay #2 – American Environmentalism: The Second Wave (due Tues., 10/25) ***

PART III: HISTORY OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE MOVEMENT

Week 9 – Toxic Wastes and Race

Tues., 10/25: Origins of the environmental justice movement

Lecture

Discussion

REQUIRED:

Cole & Foster, *From the Ground Up*, preface, intro, ch 1 (pp. 1-33)

ADDITIONAL:

Commission for Racial Justice. 1987. "Toxic Wastes and Race in the United States". New York: United Church of Christ.

Bullard, Robert D. 2000. *Dumping in Dixie: Race, Class, and Environmental Quality*, 3rd ed. Boulder: Westview.

Thurs., 10/27: Environmental racism and inequality

The political economy of environmental racism

Beyond the distributive paradigm

Term paper assignment #T-1

Small groups

REQUIRED:

Cole & Foster, *From the Ground Up*, ch's 2-3

ADDITIONAL:

Bullard, Robert D., ed. 1993. *Confronting Environmental Racism: Voices from the Grassroots*. Boston: South End Press.

Pellow, David N. 2000. "Environmental Inequality Formation: Toward a Theory of Environmental Injustice," *American Behavioral Scientist* 43(4): 581-601.

Taylor, Dorceta E. 2000. "The Rise of the Environmental Justice Paradigm: Injustice Framing and the Social Construction of Environmental Discourses," *American Behavioral Scientist* 43(4): 508-580.

*** Term Paper Proposal (due Tues., 11/1) ***

Week 10 – Broadening the Environmental Justice Movement

Tues., 11/1: Circle of poison: from fields to plate

Video: "Cesar Chavez: Pesticides Kill Farmworkers" (1990), 11 min.

Pesticides, food safety, and farmworker health

Discussion

REQUIRED:

Cole & Foster, *From the Ground Up*, ch 4

ADDITIONAL:

Chavez, Cesar. 1983. "Farm Workers at Risk". Ch. 16 in *Toxic Struggles: The Theory and Practice of Environmental Justice*, ed. Richard Hofrichter. Philadelphia: New Society Publishers.

Wright, Angus. 2005. *The Death of Ramon Gonzalez: The Modern Agricultural Dilemma*, rev. ed. Austin: University of Texas Press.

Thurs., 11/3: The Indigenous Environmental Network

Global environmental justice

Discussion

Term paper assignment #T-2

REQUIRED:

Cole & Foster, *From the Ground Up*, ch 6

RECOMMENDED:

Guha, *Global Environmentalism*, ch's 6-8

ADDITIONAL:

Bullard, Robert D., ed. 2005. *The Quest for Environmental Justice: Human Rights and the Politics of Pollution*. San Francisco: Sierra Club Books.

LaDuke, Winona. 1983. "A Society Based on Conquest Cannot Be Sustained: Native Peoples and the Environmental Crisis". Ch. 9 in *Toxic Struggles: The Theory and Practice of Environmental Justice*, ed. Richard Hofrichter. Philadelphia: New Society Publishers.

Pellow, David N., and Robert J. Brulle, eds. 2006. *Power, Justice, and the Environment: A Critical Appraisal of the Environmental Justice Movement*. Cambridge, MA: MIT Press.

*** Term Paper Abstract, Outline and Bibliography (due Tues., 11/8) ***

Week 11 – Transformative Environmental Politics

Tues., 11/8: The structure of environmental decision making

Film: Lynn Corcoran, "In Our Own Backyard: The First Love Canal" (1982), 59 min.

Discussion

Debate preparation

REQUIRED:

Cole & Foster, *From the Ground Up*, ch 5

RECOMMENDED:

Guha, *Global Environmentalism*, ch 7

ADDITIONAL:

Richardson, Mary, Joan Sherman, and Michael Gismondi. 1993. *Winning Back the Words: Confronting Experts in an Environmental Public Hearing*. Toronto: Garamond Press.

Thurs., 11/10: Transformative politics

Debate: "Is Environmental Inequality Intentional?"

REQUIRED:

Cole & Foster, *From the Ground Up*, ch 7

ADDITIONAL:

Della Porta, Donatella, and Mario Diani. 2006. *Social Movements: An Introduction*, 2nd ed. Malden, MA: Blackwell.

Eyerman, Ron, and Andrew Jamison. 1991. *Social Movements: A Cognitive Approach*. Univ Park, PA: Penn State Univ Press.

*** Essay #3 – The Environmental Justice Movement (due Tues., 11/15) ***

PART IV: FUTURE OF THE AMERICAN ENVIRONMENTAL MOVEMENT

Week 12 – Globalization and the Environment

Tues., 11/15: System failure?

Modern capitalism: out of control?

Video: "Dr. Gus Speth at the Garrison Institute" (2010), 27 min.

Discussion

REQUIRED:

Speth, *Bridge at the End of the World*, preface, introduction, ch's 1-2

RECOMMENDED:

Merchant, *Problems*, ch 15

ADDITIONAL:

Merchant, Carolyn. 2005. "The Global Ecological Crisis". Ch. 1 in *Radical Ecology: The Search for a Livable World*, 2nd ed. New York: Routledge.

_____. 2005. "Science and Worldviews". Ch. 2 in *Radical Ecology: The Search for a Livable World*, 2nd ed. New York: Routledge.

O'Brien, Robert, et al. 2000. *Contesting Global Governance: Multilateral Economic Institutions and Global Social Movements*. New York: Cambridge Univ Press.

Thurs., 11/17: Limits of today's environmentalism

Lecture

Small groups

REQUIRED:

Speth, *Bridge at the End of the World*, ch 3

ADDITIONAL:

Dowie, Mark. 1995. *Losing Ground: American Environmentalism at the Close of the Twentieth Century*. Cambridge, MA: MIT Press

Roberts, J. Timmons, and Bradley C. Parks. 2007. *A Climate of Injustice: Global Inequality, North-South Politics, and Climate Policy*. Cambridge, MA: MIT Press

THANKSGIVING BREAK

Week 13 – The Great Transformation

Tues., 11/29: Market-based environmental transformations

Lecture

Discussion

REQUIRED:

Speth, *Bridge at the End of the World*, ch's 4-6

RECOMMENDED:

Kline, *First Along the River*, ch 11

ADDITIONAL:

Jones, Van. 2008. *The Green Collar Economy*. New York: HarperCollins

Micheletti, Michele. 2003. *Political Virtue and Shopping: Individuals, Consumerism and Collective Action*. New York: Palgrave Macmillan

Thurs., 12/1: Beyond today's capitalism?

Lecture

Small groups

REQUIRED:

Speth, *Bridge at the End of the World*, ch's 7-9

ADDITIONAL:

Mol, Arthur P.J., David A. Sonnenfeld, and Gert Spaargaren, eds. 2009. *The Ecological Modernisation Reader: Environmental Reform in Theory and Practice*. London and New York: Routledge

Week 14 – Seedbeds of Transformation

Tues., 12/6: New consciousness, new politics

Lecture

Discussion

Debate preparation

REQUIRED:

Speth, *Bridge at the End of the World*, ch's 10, 11

ADDITIONAL:

Keck, Margaret E., and Kathryn Sikkink. 1998. *Activists Beyond Borders: Advocacy Networks in International Politics*. Ithaca: Cornell Univ Press

Merchant, Carolyn. 2005. "Environmental Ethics and Political Conflict". Ch. 3 in *Radical Ecology: The Search for a Livable World*, 2nd ed. New York: Routledge.

_____. 2005. "Anti-Globalization and Sustainability". Ch. 9 in *Radical Ecology: The Search for a Livable World*, 2nd ed. New York: Routledge.

Schor, Juliet B., and Betsy Taylor, eds. 2002. *Sustainable Planet: Solutions for the Twenty-first Century*. Boston: Beacon Press.

Shabecoff, Philip. 2000. *Earth Rising: American Environmentalism in the 21st Century*. Washington, DC: Island Press

Tarrow, Sidney. 2005. *The New Transnational Activism*. New York: Cambridge Univ Press

Thurs., 12/8: The bridge at the end of the world

Debate: "Can Today's Capitalism Be Saved?"

REQUIRED:

Speth, *Bridge at the End of the World*, ch 12

Final Exam Week

Term papers due (also, any extra credit projects)