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GLOBAL CHALLENGES and SUSTAINABLE FUTURES





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Dear Student,

Warmly welcome to 'Global Challenges and Sustainable Futures'!

What are the challenges facing humanity today and in the future? How can we create and rediscover sustainable ways of living on this planet?

During the course we will focus on current global issues, imagine alternative futures and explore strategies for transformational change towards a better future. Throughout the semester, different perspectives and approaches are analysed and discussed in sessions with knowledgeable and inspiring guest lecturers, in order to offer a multidisciplinary understanding of current sustainability issues and different trajectories into the future. Embarking on this journey of discovery, international and Swedish students will be asked to reflect critically on global challenges that the world is facing in order to imagine alternative sustainable futures. Along the way, students will explore their own role in the causes and solutions of these sustainability challenges.

Registration

If you have applied through www.antagning.se or www.universityadmissions.se:

Registrations will take place on Studentportalen, opening on July 30th, and close on August 30th. Contact jenny.thor@geo.uu.se if you have any questions.

International exchange students that did not apply through www.antagning.se:

You have no online registration for the course. Contact linda.lagebro@geo.uu.se if you have any questions.

First Class

The first session of the course will take place on **Tuesday, September 1, at 17.15 in the room "Laborativa Lärosalen" in the building Blåsenhus**. You can find this room and other university locations by searching at www.uu.se/map.

CEMUS Introductory Lecture and Open Events

At CEMUS we start every semester with open, inspirational and introductory lectures for all courses and to a public audience. This year's **introductory lecture** will take place on **August 31st, 18:15-20:00**: "Zoom in/Zoom out with guests from around the world".



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In addition, on **September 10th, from 16.15-18.00**, the **CEMUS Project Café** will take place, online and outside. Students, CEMUS staff, faculty and the interested public are warmly welcome to an inspiring and creative afternoon. You can bring your own ideas and projects or just come and listen (and get involved) in what's going on this autumn semester at CEMUS and beyond.

Please keep visiting the [CEMUS website](https://www.cemus.uu.se) for further information and more open events.

Course Structure

The course is worth 7,5 credits (ECTS) and is thus given at 25% of a full-time study workload, which equals around 10 hours per week. Class is on Tuesday evenings from 17:15 to 20:00, for the entire autumn semester. All classes will be held in the room "Laborativa Lärosalen" at Blåsenhus.

Our offices are located at CEMUS headquarters at Geocentrum. However, as we only work part time it is best to email us rather than drop-in.

The course is divided into three themes: Global Challenges (Part I), Alternative Futures (Part II) and Sustainable Transformations (Part III). More information on course content, assignments and assessment, will be available in the 'Course Information' Booklet for 2020.

Course Homepage

On the course's page on the [CEMUS website](https://www.cemus.uu.se) you can find the latest information and updates. If you have any questions regarding the course, please contact us at gcsf@cemus.uu.se.

We are looking forward to meeting all of you!

Best regards,

Arturo Vidal & Emmy Pater

Course Coordinators