





Climate Change Leadership in Practice – 1MV078

Autumn 2022

Welcome Letter



Dear Students,

Welcome to Climate Change Leadership in Practice (CCLIP) and thank you for signing up to partake in this year's course at CEMUS, Uppsala University and the Swedish University of Agricultural Sciences (SLU). We (Nicola & Lillian) are looking forward to meeting you on August 29th and learning with you throughout this course. We are excited to have you with us as we explore various climate and leadership concepts and questions over the first stage of the course and then to hear from you about the experience and knowledge you gain during the practical stage of the course.

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Course Structure and Themes

We will first meet on August 29th, beginning four intensive weeks at Uppsala University with a mix of lectures, workshops, and seminars – with voices from both near to Sweden and far – giving a range of perspectives on the complex issues relating to climate change leadership. The first four weeks are a period of reflection, un/learning, collaboration and imagining.

Then, from the end of September to December, you will work to practice climate change leadership in an area that you choose, either in Sweden or elsewhere in the world. During this, the second stage of the course, you will work with one of a number of approaches to affect change within the broad map of climate change. You can work on this individually, in pairs or in a group through the second stage of the course. You will continue to report back and reflect with fellow students, course coordinators and other teachers through bi-weekly check-ins (written check-ins and in-person or online check-ins).

In the third stage of the course, December-January, you will conclude with a creative summary of your leadership work and your exploration of climate change leadership.

We are currently planning a course centering on themes such as sustainable development, storytelling, systems change, post-truth politics, communication, mental well-being, Muslim women's activism, activism in the digital age, local initiatives, the Sami, a feminist/queer perspective from the pacific islands and more. We are very excited to learn more through these themes with you and hope that it will be an ambitious and rewarding course which challenges you to look at how different stories, histories, and memories shape and affect different bodies and practices; and why this is important for Climate Change Leadership in Practice.

Leadership as Practice and Our Learning Environment

Perhaps you are already engaged in leadership work that you would like to continue during this course, or perhaps you are seeking to find such work through taking the course. Both starting points are welcomed, and we encourage you to begin thinking about what leadership work might look like in practice and as a practice for you. There will be ample opportunity to continue this enquiry during the course, and changes of direction will always be encouraged.

This will be a course in which you decide your direction and how you pursue your learning. Whilst we, as coordinators, frame ideas in certain ways throughout the first four weeks, your voice and input will always be welcomed and expected to shape each session into being and to influence how future sessions will look. Additionally, you will choose many of the books you will read (outlined in the Literature Overview); you will characterise your own speciality within the vast field of climate change leadership practice; and spend over two months working to affect change outside of the class-room. If this sounds daunting, we will be there to help guide you through







this unusually free and freeing academic structure with sessions and literature on how to engage in student-led and co-created learning.

We have and will continue to work hard to create the best course and environment possible, and we invite you to come and create, explore and learn with us. We encourage you to engage deeply and meaningfully with these studies and the opportunity to work in parallel with your peers. The realities of climate change are not easy, and the arts of living on a damaged planet call for continued attention to existing with fellow bodies and things. We look forward to engaging with you together in this, this autumn.

Warm Welcome!

Nicola Donohoe and Lillian Weaver - Course Coordinators

Course Introduction and Registration

The course introduction will take place during the first and second classes on August 29th, starting at 10:15. The room will be announced in the schedule on Studium. For course registration, please follow the guidance you will have received in your letter of admission.

Course Structure and Practical Information

This is a 30 credit, full time course (40 hours per week), running during the autumn 2022 semester (29th August – 18th January). The first four weeks (Part 1) is on campus, with lectures, workshops, seminars, group work, and individual study. From September 26th you will commence leadership work (Part 2), with bi-weekly check-ins outlined in the examination information and schedule (Due between September 26th and December 8th). Reporting back will be continual and informal, running until the last academic of December, before a class conference on December 8th (Oral Presentations).

A preliminary schedule is available on the course website, and a more detailed version will be distributed one week before the course starts, on August 22nd. With a live version available on Studium once the course begins (Announcements will be made when any changes are made to this live version).

Uppsala University uses an academic quarter, "akademisk kvart" which means that all lectures, and seminars start at quarter past – A lecture between 10 - 12 actually starts at 10:15.

Online Platforms

The administration of the course is mostly carried out through Studium. Some information is also uploaded on the course website - <u>http://www.cemus.uu.se/cclip/</u>







All submissions and examinations are submitted via Studium. You will need to activate your account for Studium, so please arrange this as soon as possible. For help with this you can look to Student Services.

Class Location

The class locations will be posted in the schedule on Studium. Some classes will be held via zoom due to the guest speakers residing outside of Sweden. In this case, a zoom link will be provided through the schedule, and it will be the same link during the whole semester. Additionally, a couple of classes will take place outside of the regular 9-17 class time; in these cases, we felt that these sessions will add particular value to the course. These sessions are, of course, not mandatory.

You can use the app Mazemap for finding rooms in most of the University buildings.

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Course Literature

We will be using a number of books throughout the course to support learning. There will be some freedom in selecting which books to read and how you'd like to go about reading them all. Due to the volume of reading and the way the majority of sessions are condensed into the first four weeks of the course, **we highly recommend getting a head start on reading.** You can find the literature list can be found both on the course website and on Studium.

To find books you can search through the University library. Please get in touch if you are struggling to access anything you'd like to begin reading before the course starts.

A course reader will also be included alongside the course books, with articles, complimenting texts, links, podcasts, etc. Consisting of 3-4 texts, videos, audio, and or other types of learning material per week will be provided on Studium.

CEMUS Semester Start-Up

As always, we start the semester with an inspiring lecture from a guest speaker. This lecture is open to the public and is attended by all CEMUS students, so it is a good opportunity to meet students from other courses. As is the **Uppsala Project Café**. (More information to be announced as to the when and where of both the start-up session and the project café)

Contact Information

If you have any questions in regards to the course please contact us through the following emails:

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Please include both of us as recipients for a faster response. We may not always respond the same day but we will try to answer ASAP.

If you have any concerns you can contact the Director of Studies at CEMUS, Sara Andersson at <u>sara.andersson@cemus.uu.se</u>

About CEMUS

CEMUS' aim is to advance and inspire education and knowledge within the field of environment and development studies, as well as other boundary-transcending issues connected to sustainable development. CEMUS began as an initiative by students in the early 90's and CEMUS courses are, in large part, still run by students today. The courses at CEMUS are built in collaboration between students, course coordinators, teachers, researchers, university administrators and societal actors.

CEMUS' primary point of departure and approach is based on what has become known as Education for Sustainable Development (ESD). Through democratic, realistic and extensive work modes, this teaching method strives to motivate students to heighten their critical thinking skills, as well as encourage responsibility and engagement in the issues of sustainable development.

Please visit the CEMUS website for more information on current and upcoming events. <u>http://www.cemus.uu.se/</u>

Access to CEMUS and other Facilities

CEMUS itself is open between 9:00am and 17:00pm, Mondays to Fridays. If you want to study in the library outside these hours or during weekends, you need a key card. The key card also gives access to the main Geocentrum entrance, which is locked after 17.00 and before 08.00, as well as other campus buildings where we may hold lectures. As a new student you need to have a current course registration to obtain a campus card. You also need to activate your user account beforehand, to be able to receive the email containing campus card instructions.

Information on how to activate your user account can be found at <u>https://konto.weblogin.uu.se/index.html</u>. The instruction message is usually sent out 24 hours after the activation, but sometimes it can be a delayed a further day. Instructions on how to obtain your campus card will be sent to the email address registered to you in the student database. Once you have ordered the card according to the instructions, you will be notified via email when your card is available for pickup at your campus reception desk. When you collect the campus card you will need to show an approved identification (driver's licence, passport etc).







In the CEMUS library you will find literature related to environment and development issues, magazines, journals and other publications, such as master and doctoral theses. The library is a shared space for staff, coordinators and students – please respect the guidelines posted in the library to ensure a pleasant work and study environment for all. It is possible to book the library for CEMUS-related activities, however, educational activities such as seminars have precedence. All the course literature for CEMUS courses is available there, including several shelves of reference books. These may only be read inside the library and are not to be taken home. There are also books that can be borrowed through the Geocentrum Library, located down the hall from CEMUS.

Welcome to Climate Change Leadership in Practice for the Autumn 2022 Semester.

Please feel free to get in contact with us if you have any questions. We're looking forward to meeting you!

Nicola and Lillian