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Welcome to Introduction to Sustainable Development - Autumn 2022

Welcome to Introduction to Sustainable Development (1MV550) at the Centre for Environment and Development Studies (CEMUS)! CEMUS is a student-initiated, transdisciplinary centre at Uppsala University and Swedish University of Agricultural Sciences with the explicit ambition to contribute to a more just and sustainable world.

Below is some practical information about the course; please read through it and contact us if you have any questions.

We look forward to seeing you next semester!

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Course Coordinators

Course Learning Outcomes

This course is meant to introduce you the concept of Sustainable Development and to the master's program. The goal is to equip you with methodological, conceptual, personal, and interpersonal skills necessary to critically and constructively engage with the quest of sustainability transformation.

As stated in the syllabus, upon completion of the course, the student should be able to:

- critically relate to disciplinary and interdisciplinary traditions and work methods;
- critically relate to and analyse the history and development of the concept of Sustainable development;
- problematise complexity and sustainable development through a critical analysis of different actors' norms and perspectives

Course Overview

The course is worth 5 credits and runs for three weeks from Monday 29th August until Friday 16th



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September. There is a **DRAFT** schedule for the course attached. A final schedule will be provided one week before the start of the course on Studium, the online education management system used by Uppsala University, and the course website (<http://www.cemus.uu.se/msd/>).

The Autumn semester 2022 begins on Monday 29th August with an introduction session for the program at 11:00- 12:00, followed by an introduction to the course from 13:15 – 15:00. Both sessions will be held in Hambergsalen, Geocentrum. Maps for the building location and room are found [here](#) under “Geo Center.”

The teaching consists of lectures, given by guest lecturers from different academic disciplines and other relevant societal sectors, and seminars run by the course coordinators. The teaching method is based on active student participation and peer-to-peer learning.

Course Examination

As stated in the syllabus:

The student is examined through written preparation for (1 credit) and active participation in seminars and workshops (1 credit), and through written documentation (2.5 credits) and oral presentation (0.5 credits) of a project.

The course is examined through the following mandatory assignments:

- **Seminar:** Preparation for Final Project; in class, **Thursday 1th September 2022**
- **Literature Seminar;** in class, **Thursday 8th September 2022**
- **Written Documentation of Lit Review Assignment; part 1 due Friday, September 9th; part 2 due Monday September 12th**
- **Student Presentations of individual project** on **Thursday 15th September 2022**
- **Written Documentation of individual project;** due **Friday 16th September 2022, 23:59**

Course Literature

The course has the following course book, which is required reading:

- **Redclift, M. & Springett, Delyse (2017), *Routledge International Handbook of Sustainable Development*. Routledge.**

The course book is available in an online format through Uppsala University Library. There are also



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physical copies, including 2 located in the Geocentrum library.

The course coordinators will make available a course literature compendium one week before the course starts. The compendium will consist of 3-4 texts, videos, audio files and/or other learning material per week and will be available through Studium. You will also need to engage with material not included in the compendium to complete your final assignment. Additional recommended articles from guest lecturers may be uploaded to Studium during the course.

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