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ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE

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Objectives

Structure

Evaluation

Program outline

1. Environmental Justice as an expanding framework: History, vocabulary, and theory
Origins and evolution of the environmental justice framework. Environmental justice notions developed by activists. The current battlefronts of the struggles for global environmental justice.


2. Mining conflicts and environmental justice
Sources of perceived environmental injustice in mining conflicts. Mining conflicts in the emergence of a global environmental justice movements. The political dimension of anti-mining resistances.


3. Water justice and water-related conflicts worldwide (with guest lecturers: Daniela Del Bene, Irmak Ertör)
Classifying water conflicts. Water justice movements and institutional innovation
Conflicts over dams from an environmental justice perspective. Conflicts over artisanal fishing. Ocean grabbing, fishing justice and blue degrowth.


4. Cultural and artistic manifestations in environmental justice struggles
The ubiquitous nature of cultural artefacts in environmental justice struggles. Types of cultural and artistic manifestations in water justice conflicts. Mediatised environmental conflict. Uses of artistic manifestations in transformations towards environmental justice.

Cultural Politics website - https://culturalpolitics.net/environmental_justice/art


5. The way forward: degrowth through the lens of environmental justice
Reasons for an alliance between environmental justice and degrowth. Critical differences between the environmental justice movements in the global South and the degrowth movements.
