

Canadian Studies

Course	CDNS 2302/INDG 2302 – Land, Water, Capitalism
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COURSE DESCRIPTION / INSTRUCTOR'S STATEMENT

The course objective is to provide knowledge about resource exploitation in areas of the world (focusing on Canada and Nordic countries, i.e., Norway, but also beyond with some examples from South America, Africa and Australia) where Indigenous peoples are resisting and counteracting the impact 'extractivism' has on their lifestyle, culture and socio-economic organization.

By unpacking the concept of cumulative effects from an environmental, sociocultural and economic perspective, the course wants to shed light and raise awareness on the role that extractive industry has in the contemporary world, how it shapes the socio-economic organization of our societies and whether and to what extent extractivism can be changed and, eventually, overcome.

EVALUATION

Students will have the opportunity to share the knowledge acquired throughout the course by writing a final essay and through in-class discussions, oral presentations and a final oral assessment. The final evaluation will be determined as follows:

- 10% determined by the student participation and weekly in-class discussions.
- 30% determined by the group work and oral presentations of each group.
- 40% determined by an essay (1500 words) that students are supposed to write at the end of the course.
- 20% determined by the individual oral discussion each student will have with the module convener