



UNIVERSITÀ
DEGLI STUDI DI MILANO-BICOCCA

COURSE SYLLABUS

Vulnerability and Environmental conflicts: social and political geography of the sea

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Title

The ocean space: culture geography and environmental conflicts of the water worlds

Teacher(s)

Language

English

Short description

Although the ocean has always played a fundamental role in most human activities, geography has largely ignored marine spaces. In recent years we are facing a blue turn where the ocean becomes a hot topic in recent research, as it appears also from the goals of the UN Decade of Ocean Science for Sustainable Development (2021-2030). The ocean is now one of the great challenges of the future. The course offers an overview of the recent engagement of geography with ocean spaces. The philosopher Roberto Casati (Paris, EHESS) will speak on Ocean: a Philosopher's Route and the political geographer Sanjay Chaturvedi (University of New Delhi) on Securing the Sundarbans: Ecologies, Cultures and Conflicts in the Bay of Bengal.

The second part of the course, starting with an analysis of the keywords of current environmental policy (sustainability, development, risk, resilience), will explore the territorial dimensions of ocean space and the environmental conflicts (politics, risk, resources, indigenous knowledge, fisheries, tourism) associated with the

establishment of marine protected areas.

CFU / Hours

1 CFU - 8 hours

Teaching period

June 2023

Sustainable Development Goals

NO POVERTY | GENDER EQUALITY | CLEAN WATER AND SANITATION | REDUCED INEQUALITIES | RESPONSIBLE CONSUMPTION AND PRODUCTION | CLIMATE ACTION | LIFE BELOW WATER | PEACE, JUSTICE AND STRONG INSTITUTIONS
