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COURSE SYLLABUS

The Ocean Space: Culture Geography and Environmental Conflicts of the Water Worlds

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Title

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

Teacher(s)

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Language

Italian/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 curse offers an overview of the recent engagement of geography with ocean spaces.The aim is to introduce, with an interdisciplinary approach, the complexity of the relationships between humans, non-humans and the water world, including topics such as ocean representations, ocean literacy and ocean citizenship, biodiversity,gender

perspectives, more-than-human concerns.

CFU / Hours

1 CFU - 8 hours. No final exam

Teaching period

March 2026

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