

GLOBAL ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE

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‘Environmental Justice’ (EJ) is quickly becoming a buzzword across the globe. Yet not many people, outside of environmental justice movements and studies, know the history of EJ or what distinguishes it from mainstream environmentalism. Whereas mainstream environmentalist movements seek to save a species or “nature” itself, EJ movements materialize from marginalized populations confronting the degradation of *their* communities. This course is an introduction to learn the basics of that history and participate in the expansion of EJ studies by thinking through the global dimensions of movements confronting major socio-ecological challenges such as pollution, climate change, disasters, and deforestation.