Environmental movements have played a significant role in politics since the second half of the 20th century. This is not only related to the emergence of ecological parties, but also to their autonomy as an object of research. The module is therefore dedicated to different questions connected with the phenomenon of the environmental movement(s). From a comparative perspective, various questions suggest themselves here: What goals do the environmental movements pursue? What means and strategies do they use to achieve these goals? How do the movements differ with regard to their internal structure and their members? How can they be distinguished from other social movements? What influence did and do these movements have with regard to politics, but also society as a whole?

**Intended learning outcomes**

In this module, students will get to know different theoretical and methodological approaches to address the above-mentioned questions. They will learn to use these approaches appropriately and to reflect on their advantages and disadvantages.

**Courses** (type, number of weekly contact hours, language — if other than German)

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Module taught in: German and/or English and potentially other language

**Method of assessment** (type, scope, language — if other than German, examination offered — if not every semester, information on whether module is creditable for bonus)

a) presentation (approx. 30 minutes, pass/fail) b) short presentation (approx. 15 minutes, pass/fail) c) essay (approx. 5 pages, pass/fail) d) review (approx. 3 pages, pass/fail) e) log (approx. 3 pages, pass/fail) f) leading a discussion (approx. 45 minutes) on a topic specified by the lecturer as part of a course (pass/fail) g) scientific poster (approx. 50 hours total, pass/fail) h) portfolio (approx. 50 hours total, pass/fail)

Assessment offered: In the semester in which the course is offered, no less than once a year

Language of assessment: German and/or English and potentially other language

**Allocation of places**

5 places. There are no restrictions with regard to available places for students of Political and Social Sciences (Master’s, 120, 45 ECTS credits) or Social Sustainability Sciences. The number specified is the total number of places that will be allocated to students of other degree subjects in the SFB (list of modules) of which this module is listed. Should the number of applications exceed the number of available places, places will be allocated according to the number of subject semesters. Among applicants with the same number of subject semesters, places will be allocated by lot. A waiting list will be maintained and places re-allocated by lot as they become available.

**Additional information**

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**Referred to in LPO I** (examination regulations for teaching-degree programmes)

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**Module appears in**

Master’s degree (1 major) Social Science Sustainability Studies (2021)