

Environmental Law Curriculum Considerations

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Generally

- Ontology vs. epistemology we know we want "Environmental Law" but how do we do it?
- Proposed issues to consider
 - Curriculum placement how to place environmental law as a subject in a legal education curriculum
 - Content what topics to include in environmental law?
 - Pedagogy what teaching methods to use in teaching environmental law?

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Curriculum placement – things to consider

Issues	Contextual requirements
 Discrete (isolated in a single course) vs. pervasive (embedded across multiple subjects) Doctrinal (law-only) vs. interdisciplinary (integrating other disciplines) Clinical (practice-based) vs. holistic (practice & theory) Compulsory vs. elective Undergrad vs. graduates International vs. domestic ??? 	 What is the expertise in the law school? What is the expertise across the university? What is the organizational structure of the university? What are the degree requirements for students? What are the expectations for law school graduates (education, profession, society)? ???



Content - things to consider

Topics	Knowledge systems	Institutions	Law	Cases	Scholarshop
 Climate change Biodiversity Endangered species Trafficking Energy Air/water pollution Hazardous waste Recycling Sustainable Development Circular economy Environmental justice Environmental Security Indigenous rights Human rights & environment Rights of nature World Heritage ??? 	 Science? Physics? Chemistry? Biology? Economy? Statistics? Indigenous & traditional knowledge? Alternative knowledge systems ??? 	 International Domestic ??? 	 International (hard law/ soft law)? Domestic? Principles? ??? 	 International Domestic ??? 	ŚŚŚ

Pedagogy- things to consider

Topics	Technology	Knowledge	Skills	Values
 Lecture Case Method Socratic Method Discussion Activity Debate/Moot Court Games Professional experience ??? 	 In-class? On-line? Mobile/wifi? Immersive field work (travel)? Practice Setting (office)? ??? 	 Science? Traditional Knowledge? Concepts/ideas? Institutions Laws/ principles? Cases? Scholarship? ??? 	 Memorization? Creativity? Critical analysis? Logic? Debate? Presentation? Writing? Legal Policy Scholarly Teamwork? Individual work? Leadership? ??? 	 Public Service? Image of the profession? Duty of courts? Duty of Justice? Duty to environment? Activism? ???



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Thank you!

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