

GEOG 457H Rural Latin America

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How are human rights, wellbeing, and environmental health linked to twenty-first century extractivism in Latin America? How are concerns over economic growth and environmental protection negotiated, by whom, and with what outcomes?

This seminar-style course examines these questions through a close analysis of the twenty-first century political ecology of environmental degradation, self-determination and resource extraction in Latin America. We will focus on selected South American case studies to examine questions related to environmental justice, indigenous knowledges, and social movements.