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General parameters

Approximately 10-16 units per section (total list should be 150-200 readings). Book 200 pages + = 5 units; Book 100-200 pages = 3 units; Book with less than 100 pages = 1 unit.

Each Supplementary list should include 3-4 readings (or fewer if they are books).

Students only read 2 Supplementary lists from the entire list.

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1. Overview Pieces (7)

In this section, you will read overview articles and chapters that help you gain a birds-eye view the entire field of environmental sociology. By reading these pieces, you will also begin to develop a very general perspective on the human-environment relationship and how it is studied from a social scientific perspective. Students interested in understanding more about the historical evolution of the human-nature relationship are encouraged to read the supplementary readings found below.

Buttel, Frederick H. 2002. "Has Environmental Sociology Arrived?" *Organization & Environment* 15(1):42–54. [1 unit]

Dickens, Peter. 2004. *Society and Nature: Changing Our Environment, Changing Ourselves*. Malden, MA: Polity. Chapter 1. [1 unit]

Dunlap, Riley E. 2002. "Environmental Sociology: A Personal Perspective on Its First Quarter Century." *Organization & Environment* 15(1):10–29. [1 unit]

Dunlap, Riley E. 2010. "The maturation and diversification of environmental sociology: from constructivism and realism to agnosticism and pragmatism" in *The International Handbook of Environmental Sociology*, Second Edition, Michael Redclift and Graham Woodgate, editors, Edward Elgar Publishing. [1 unit]

Goldman, Michael and Rachel A. Schurman. 2000. "Closing the 'Great Divide': New Social Theory on Society and Nature." *Annual Review of Sociology* 26:563- 584. [1 unit]

Pellow, David N. and Hollie Nyseth Brehm. 2013. "An Environmental Sociology for the Twenty-First Century." *Annual Review of Sociology* 39:229–250. [1 unit]

Stern, Paul C. 2000. "Toward a Coherent Theory of Environmentally Significant Behavior." *Journal of Social Issues* 56(3):407–24. [1 unit]

Supplementary

NOTE: This supplementary section will be of particular interest to students who are interested in the history of human-nature interactions, especially as written from the perspective of professional historians.

Burke Edmund III and Kenneth Pomeranz. Eds. 2009. *The Environment and World History*, Berkeley, CA: University of California Press.

Cronon, William. 1992. *Nature's Metropolis: Chicago and the Great West*. New York, NY: Norton.

Guha, Ramachandra and Joan Martinez-Alier. 1997. *Varieties of Environmentalism: Essays North and South*. London, UK and New York: Earthscan.

2. Origins of Environmental Sociology (11)

This section contains seminal pieces in the development of environmental sociology. In this section, you will encounter some of the most influential voices in early environmental sociology: Fred Buttel, Riley Dunlap, Allan Schnaiberg, and John Bellamy Foster. Some of these articles may seem outdated, but they remain essential to understanding the development of the subfield. The readings in this section encourage you to make connections to classical sociological theory – especially Marx and Weber.

Buttel, Frederick H. 1987. "New Directions in Environmental Sociology." *Annual Review of Sociology* 13(1):465–488. [1 unit].

Catton, William R. and Riley E. Dunlap. 1978. "Environmental Sociology: A New Paradigm." *The American Sociologist* 13(1):41–49. [1 unit]

Catton, William R. Jr. 1980. *Overshoot: The Ecological Basis of Revolutionary Change*. Urbana, IL: University of Illinois Press. [3 units; chapter 1, chapter 4, and chapter 6]

Dunlap, Riley E. and William R. Catton. 1979. "Environmental Sociology." *Annual Review of Sociology* 5:243–73. [1 unit]

Foster, John Bellamy. 1999. "Marx's Theory of Metabolic Rift: Classical Foundations for Environmental Sociology." *American Journal of Sociology* 105(2):366–405. [1 unit]

Foster, John Bellamy and Hannah Holleman. 2012. "Weber and the Environment: Classical Foundations for a Postexemptionalist Sociology." *American Journal of Sociology* 117(6):1625–1673. [1 unit]

Freudenburg, William R., Scott Frickel and Robert Gramling. 1995. "Beyond the Nature/Society Divide: Learning to Think about a Mountain," *Sociological Forum* 10: 361-392. [1 unit]

Freudenburg, William R. and Robert Gramling. 1989. "The Emergence of Environmental Sociology: Contributions of Riley E. Dunlap and William R. Catton, Jr." *Sociological Inquiry* 59(4):439–52. [1 unit]

Schnaiberg, Allan. 2002. "Reflections on My 25 Years before the Mast of the Environment and Technology Section." *Organization & Environment* 15(1):30–41. [1 unit]

Supplementary

Dunlap, Riley. 1997. "The Evolution of Environmental Sociology." Pp. 21–39 in *International Handbook of Environmental Sociology*, edited by Michael Redclift and Graham Woodgate. Northampton, Mass.: Edward Elgar.

Murphy, Raymond. 1994. *Rationality & Nature*. Boulder, CO: Westview..

3. Political Economy of the Environment (17)

This is one of the major perspectives in the environmental sociological literature. Environmental problems are, to a large degree, material problems, and this body of work addresses what this means in terms of capitalism and alternative forms of economic organization.

Bunker, Stephen G. 1996. "Raw Material and the Global Economy: Oversights and Distortions in Industrial Ecology." *Society & Natural Resources* 9(4):419–429. [1 unit]

Buttel, Frederick H. 2004. "The Treadmill of Production: An Appreciation, Assessment and Agenda for Research." *Organization & Environment* 17(3):323–336. [1 unit]

Ciccantell, Paul S. 1999. "It's All about Power: The Political Economy and Ecology of Redefining the Brazilian Amazon." *The Sociological Quarterly* 40(2):293–315. [1 unit]

Clapp, Jennifer, and Peter Dauvergne. 2011. *Paths to a Green World: The Political Economy of the Global Environment*. 2nd ed. Cambridge, MA and London, UK: The MIT Press. [5 units; chapter 1, chapter 5, chapter 6, chapter 7, and chapter 8]

Curran, Dean. 2017. "The Treadmill of Production and the Positional Economy of Consumption." *Canadian Review of Sociology/Revue Canadienne de Sociologie* 54(1):28–47. [1 unit]

Foster, John Bellamy. 2005. "The Treadmill of Accumulation: Schnaiberg's Environment and Marxian Political Economy." *Organization & Environment* 18(1):7–18. [1 unit]

- Gismondi, Michael, and Mary Richardson. 1994. "Discourse and Power in Environmental Politics: Public Hearings on a Bleached Pulp Mill in Alberta, Canada." Pp. 232–252 in *Is Capitalism Sustainable? Political Economy and the Politics of Ecology*, edited by M. O'Connor. New York, USA: Guilford Press. [1 unit]
- Gould, Kenneth A., David N. Pellow, and Allan Schnaiberg. 2004. "Interrogating the Treadmill of Production: Everything You Wanted to Know about the Treadmill but Were Afraid to Ask." *Organization & Environment* 17(3):296–316. [1 unit]
- Pellow, David Naguib. 2000. "Environmental Inequality Formation: Toward a Theory of Environmental Injustice." *American Behavioral Scientist* 43(4):581–601. [1 unit]
- Peluso, Nancy Lee. 2003. "Territorializing Local Struggles for Resource Control: A Look at Environmental Discourses and Politics in Indonesia." Pp. 244–265 in *Nature in the Global South: Environmental Projects in South and Southeast Asia*, edited by P. R. Greenough and A. L. Tsing. Durham, NC: Duke University Press. [1 unit]
- Rudel, Thomas K., J. Timmons Roberts, and JoAnn Carmin. 2011. "Political Economy of the Environment." *Annual Review of Sociology* 37:221–238. [1 unit]
- Schnaiberg, Allan, David N. Pellow, and Adam Weinberg. 2002. "The Treadmill of Production and the Environmental State." Pp. 15–32 in *The Environmental State Under Pressure*, edited by A. P. J. Mol and F. H. Buttel. Bingley, UK: Emerald Group Publishing Limited. [1 unit]
- Wright, Erik Olin. 2004. "Interrogating the Treadmill of Production: Some Questions I Still Want to Know about and Am Not Afraid to Ask." *Organization & Environment* 17(3):317–322. [1 unit]

Supplementary

- Foster, John Bellamy. 2000. *Marx's Ecology: Materialism and Nature*. New York, NY, USA: New York University Press.
- Schnaiberg, Allan. 1980. *The Environment: From Surplus to Scarcity*. Oxford, UK and New York, NY, USA: Oxford University Press.
- Swyngedouw, E. 2004. *Social Power and the Urbanization of Water*. Oxford: Oxford University Press.

4. Ecological Modernization Theory (6)

Ecological modernization theory is often presented as a contrast to a Marxian political economic perspective on the environment. It seeks to identify how modernization and late capitalism can, in fact, facilitate environmental protections.

- Davidson, Debra J. and Norah MacKendrick. 2004 "All Dressed up with Nowhere to Go: The Discourse of Ecological Modernization in Alberta." *Canadian Review of Sociology and Anthropology* 41(1):47-65. [1 unit]
- Jorgenson, Andrew K. and Brett Clark. 2015 "Are the Economy and the Environment Decoupling? A Comparative International Study, 1960–2005," *American Journal of Sociology* 118(1): 1-44. [1 unit]
- Mol, Arthur P.J. and David A. Sonnenfeld. 2000. Ecological Modernisation Around the World: An Introduction," *Environmental Politics* 9(1): 1-14 [1 unit]
- Mol, Arthur P.J., Gert Spaargaren, and David A. Sonnenfeld. 2013. "Ecological Modernization Theory: Taking Stock, Moving Forward." in *Routledge International Handbook of Social and Environmental Change*, eds. Lockie, Stewart, Sonnenfeld, David A., and Dana Fisher. Pp. 15–30. London and New York: Routledge. [1 unit]

Spaargaren, Gert and Arthur P. J. Mol. 1992. "Sociology, Environment, and Modernity: Ecological Modernization as a Theory of Social Change." *Society & Natural Resources* 5(4):323–44. [1 unit]

York, Richard, Eugene A. Rosa, and Thomas E. Dietz. 2010. "Ecological Modernization Theory: Theoretical and Empirical Challenges." Pp. 77–90 in *The International Handbook of Environmental Sociology*, edited by M. R. Redclift and G. Woodgate. Cheltenham, UK: Edward Elgar.. [1 unit]

Supplementary

Elements of ecological modernization theory have been adopted by some business leaders. The Hawken et al book is included here as one example.

Mol, Arthur P. J. and Gert Spaargaren. 2000. "Ecological Modernization Theory in Debate: A Review," *Environmental Politics* 9:17-49.

Hayden, Anders. 2014. *When Green Growth Is Not Enough: Climate Change, Ecological Modernization, and Sufficiency*. Montréal: McGill-Queen's University Press.

Hawken, Paul, Amory Lovins, and L. Hunter Lovins. *Natural Capitalism: Creating the Next Industrial Revolution*. Snowmass, CO: Rocky Mountain Institute.

5. Social Construction and Environmental Realism (14)

Perhaps the liveliest and longest-lasting disagreement in environmental sociology is between social constructionists and realists. This section offers up an overview of this debate, as well as introducing some more recent efforts at reconciling the two perspectives.

Best, Joel. 2018. "Constructing Animal Species as Social Problems." *Sociology Compass* 12(11):e12630. [1 unit]

Burningham, Kate, and Geoff Cooper. 1999. "Being Constructive: Social Constructionism and the Environment." *Sociology* 33(2):297–316. [1 unit]

Evanoff, Richard J. 2005. "Reconciling Realism and Constructivism in Environmental Ethics." *Environmental Values* 14(1):61–81. [1 unit]

Greider, Thomas, and Lorraine Garkovich. 1994. "Landscapes: The Social Construction of Nature and the Environment." *Rural Sociology* 59(1):1–24. [1 unit]

Grundmann, Reiner, and Nico Stehr. 2010. "Climate Change: What Role for Sociology? A Response to Constance Lever-Tracy." *Current Sociology* 58(6):897–910. [1 unit]

Hannigan, John. 2014. *Environmental Sociology*. Third Edit. New York, New York, USA and Abingdon, UK: Routledge. [5 units]

Murphy, Raymond. 2002. "The Internalization of Autonomous Nature into Society." *The Sociological Review* 50(3):313–333. [1 unit]

Murphy, Raymond. 2004. "Disaster or Sustainability: The Dance of Human Agents with Nature's Actants." *Canadian Review of Sociology* 31(3):249–266. [1 unit]

Woolgar, Steve, and Dorothy Pawluch. 1985. "Ontological Gerrymandering: The Anatomy of Social Problems Explanations." *Social Problems* 32(3):214–227. [1 unit]

Yearley, Steven. 2002. "The Social Construction of Environmental Problems: A Theoretical Review and Some Not-Very-Herculean Labors." Pp. 274–285 in *Sociological Theory and the Environment*, edited by R. E. Dunlap, F. H. Buttel, and A. Gijswijt. Lanham, MD: Rowman & Littlefield. [1 unit]

Supplementary

Eder, Klaus. 1996. *The Social Construction of Nature*. Thousand Oaks, CA: Sage.

Pettenger, Mary E. 2007. *The Social Construction of Climate Change: Power, Knowledge, Norms, Discourses*. Hampshire, UK: Ashgate Publishing.

6. Environmental Knowledge Production (12)

Readings in this section address epistemological and ontological questions about environmental processes. How do we develop knowledge about nature? What, if anything, separates nature from society and politics? What role does skepticism, ignorance, and gaps in knowledge play in the construction of environmental problems? What is distinctive about how scientists produce and disseminate knowledge about environmental processes? You might note that many of the readings and themes in this section overlap with science and technology studies and the sociology of knowledge. Some of these studies have a distinctly theoretical and even technical bent, although engaging with these particular "ways of knowing" is critical to understanding political struggles over pressing environmental problems like population health, toxic exposure, and climate change.

Callon, Michel. 1984. "Some Elements of a Sociology of Translation: Domestication of the Scallops and the Fishermen of St. Brieuc Bay." *The Sociological Review* 32(1):196–233. [1 unit]

Edwards, Paul N. 2000. "The World in a Machine: Origins and Impacts of Early Computerized Global Systems Models." Pp. 221–254 in *Systems, Experts, and Computers: The Systems Approach in Management and Engineering, World War II and After*, edited by A. C. Hughes and T. P. Hughes. Cambridge, MA: MIT Press. [1 unit]

Frickel, Scott, Sahra Gibbon, Jeff Howard, Joanna Kempner, Gwen Ottinger, and David J. Hess. 2010. "Undone Science: Charting Social Movement and Civil Society Challenges to Research Agenda Setting." *Science, Technology, & Human Values* 35(4):444–73. [1 unit]

Jacques, Peter J., Riley E. Dunlap, and Mark Freeman. 2008. "The Organisation of Denial: Conservative Think Tanks and Environmental Scepticism." *Environmental Politics* 17(3):349–385. [1 unit]

Jasanoff, Sheila. 2010. "A New Climate for Society." *Theory, Culture and Society* 27(2–3):233–253. [1 unit]

Lahsen, Myanna. 2005. "Seductive Simulations? Uncertainty Distribution around Climate Models." *Social Studies of Science* 35(6):895–922. [1 unit]

Latour, Bruno. 2007. "To Modernize or to Ecologise? That Is the Question." Pp. 311–328 in *Technoscience: The Politics of Interventions*, edited by K. Asdal, B. Brenna, and I. Moser. Oslo, NO: Oslo Academic Press. [1 unit]

Latour, Bruno. 2005. *Reassembling the Social: An Introduction to Actor-Network Theory*. Oxford, UK and New York: Oxford University Press. [1 unit; Introduction (p. 1–20)]

Shostak, Sara. 2013. *Exposed Science: Genes, the Environment, and the Politics of Population Health*. Berkeley, CA: University of California Press. [3 units; Introduction, Conclusion, and choose one chapter]

Taylor, Peter J., and Frederick H. Buttel. 1992. "How Do We Know We Have Global Environmental Problems? Science and the Globalization of Environmental Discourse." *Geoforum* 23(3):405–416. [1 unit]

Supplementary

Feinstein, Noah Weeth, Sue Allen, and Edgar Jenkins. 2013. "Outside the Pipeline: Reimagining Science Education for Nonscientists." *Science* 314-317.

Goldman, Michael. 2001. "The Birth of a Discipline: Producing Authoritative Green Knowledge, World Bank-style." *Ethnography* 2 (2):191-217

Wynne, Brian. 1994. "Scientific Knowledge and the Global Environment." Pp. 169-189 in *Social Theory and the Global Environment*, edited by M. Redclift and T. Benton. New York, NY: Routledge.

Steven Yearley, 2009. "Sociology and Climate Change after Kyoto." *Current Sociology*. 57, 3: 389-405.

7. Gender and the Environment (18 units)

Articles in this section build on an established feminist tradition of interrogating connections between the exploitation of women and natural resources. Scholars here do not limit themselves to the study of women (as a biological sex), and they avoid essentialist theorizing about male/female dualism. Instead, they incorporate nuanced theories of gender as well as multiple intersecting spheres of oppression and exploitation. One important feature to note when reading this section: despite a long noted empirical phenomena whereby women express more pro-environmental behaviors than men, scholars in this area (e.g., Banerjee and Bell 2007; Huddart Kennedy and Dzialo 2015) believe that mainstream environmental social science continues to neglect gender.

Agarwal, Bina. 1992. "The Gender and Environment Debate: Lessons from India." *Feminist Studies* 18(1):119–59. [1 unit]

Banerjee, Damayanti and Michael M. Bell. 2007. "Ecogender: Locating Gender in Environmental Social Science." *Society and Natural Resources*. 20(1): 3-19. [1 unit]

Bell, Michael Mayerfeld. 2012. "The Ideology of Environmental Domination." in *An Invitation to Environmental Sociology*. Thousand Oaks, CA, USA and London, UK: Sage. Pp. 195-215. [1 unit]

Braun, Yvonne A., and Assitan Sylla Traore. 2015. "Plastic Bags, Pollution, and Identity Women and the Gendering of Globalization and Environmental Responsibility in Mali." *Gender & Society* 29, no. 6 (2015): 863-887. [1 unit]

Brown, Phil and Faith I. T. Ferguson. 1995. "'Making a Big Stink': Women's Work, Women's Relationships, and Toxic Waste Activism," *Gender & Society* 9(2): 145-172. [1 unit]

Davidson, Debra J. and William R. Freudenburg. 1996. "Gender and Environmental Risk Concerns: A Review and Analysis of Available Research." *Environment and Behavior* 28(3):302–39. [1 unit]

Ergas, Christina and Richard York. 2012. "Women's Status and Carbon Dioxide Emissions: A Quantitative Cross-national Analysis." *Social Science Research* 41(4):965-976. [1 unit]

Hunter, Lori M., Alison Hatch, and Aaron Johnson. 2004. "Cross-National Gender Variation in Environmental Behaviors." *Social Science Quarterly* 85(3):677–94. [1 unit]

Kennedy, Emily Huddart and Liz Dzialo. 2015. "Locating Gender in Environmental Sociology." *Sociology Compass* 9(10):920–29. [1 unit]

MackKendrick, Norah. 2018. *Better Safe than Sorry*. Oakland, CA: University of California Press. [3 units; Introduction, Conclusion and choose one other chapter]

MacGregor, Sherilyn. 2006. *Beyond mothering earth: Ecological citizenship and the politics of care*. Vancouver, BC: UBC Press. [2 units; Introduction and one chapter of your choice]

McCright, Aaron M. and Chenyang Xiao. 2014. "Gender and Environmental Concern Insights from Recent Work and for Future Research." *Society & Natural Resources* 27(10):1109–13. [1 unit]

O'Shaugnessy, Sara and Emily Huddart Kenndy. 2010. "Relational Activism: Reimagining Women's Environmental Work as Cultural Change." *Canadian Journal of Sociology* 35(4):551–72. [1 unit]

Perkins, Terry. 2012. "Women's Pathways Into Activism: Rethinking the Women's Environmental Justice Narrative in California's San Joaquin Valley." *Organization & Environment* 25(1):76–94. [1 unit]

Plumwood, Val. 1994. "The ecopolitics debate and the politics of nature," Pp. 64-87 in *Ecological Feminism*. Ed. K. Warren. New York, NY: Routledge. [1 unit]

Supplementary

Bryson, Lois, Kathleen McPhillips, and Kathryn Robinson. 2001. "Turning Public Issues into Private Troubles: Lead Contamination, Domestic Labor, and the Exploitation of Women's Unpaid Labor in Australia." *Gender & Society* 15(5):754–772.

Kennedy, Emily Huddart, and Amanda Boyd. 2016. "Gendered Citizenship and the Individualization of Environmental Responsibility: Evaluating a Campus Common Reading Program." *Environmental Education Research* 24(2):1–16.

MacGregor, Sherilyn. 2014. "Only Resist: Feminist Ecological Citizenship and the Post-Politics of Climate Change." *Hypatia* 29(3):617–33.

Norgaard, Kari and Richard York. 2005. "Gender Equality and State Environmentalism." *Gender & Society* 19(4):506–22.

Xiao, Chenyang and Aaron M. McCright. 2015. "Gender Differences in Environmental Concern: Revisiting the Institutional Trust Hypothesis in the USA." *Environment and Behavior* 47(1):17–37.

8. Culture, Consumption and the Environment (18)

These readings focus on the interactions between human culture, consumption, and the natural environment. You will encounter readings on human relationships with animals, food as a symbol of the natural world, as well as readings that address the sustainability of consumer culture. Some of the articles in this section are by scholars (e.g., Jerolmack, Grazian) that look at humans' relationship with non-human animals (e.g., pigeons, zoo animals) in a general way. Other articles in this section have a more focussed attempt to theorize the ways human behavior is environmentally significant and/or unsustainable.

Carfagna, Lindsey B. et al. 2014. "An Emerging Eco-Habitus: The Reconfiguration of High Cultural Capital Practices among Ethical Consumers." *Journal of Consumer Culture* 14(2):158–78. [1 unit]

Connolly John and Andrea Prothero. 2008. "Green Consumption: Life-politics, Risk and Contradictions," *Journal of Consumer Culture*, 8(1), pp 117-145. [1 unit]

Grazian, David. 2015. *American Zoo: A Sociological Safari*. Princeton, NJ, USA and Oxford, UK: Princeton University Press. 344 pp. [3 units; introduction, conclusion, and one chapter of your choice]

Hobson, Kersty. 2002. "Competing Discourses of Sustainable Consumption: Does the 'Rationalisation of Lifestyles' Make Sense?" *Environmental Politics* 11(2):95–120. [1 unit]

Kennedy, Emily Huddart, Maurie J. Cohen, and Naomi T. Krogman. 2015. "Social Practice Theories and Research on Sustainable Consumption." In *Putting Sustainability into Practice: Applications and Advances in Research on Sustainable Consumption*. Eds. E H. Kennedy, M. Cohen and N. Krogman. Pp 3–22. [1 unit]

Jerolmack, Colin. 2013. *The Global Pigeon*. Chicago, IL, USA and London, UK: University of Chicago Press. [2 units; Introduction and one chapter of your choice]

Kollmuss, Anja and Julian Agyeman. 2002. "Mind the Gap: Why Do People Act Environmentally and What Are the Barriers to pro-Environmental Behavior?" *Environmental Education Research* 8(3):239–260. [1 unit]

Maniates, Michael F. 2001. "Individualization: Plant a Tree, Buy a Bike, Save the World ?" *Global Environmental Politics* 1(3):31–52. [1 unit]

Shove, Elizabeth. 2014. "Putting Practice into Policy: Reconfiguring Questions of Consumption and Climate Change." *Contemporary Social Science* 9(4):415–29. [1 unit]

Szasz, Andrew. 2008. *Shopping our way to safety*. St Paul, MN: University of Minnesota Press. [4 units; Introduction: Inverted Quarantine (pp. 1-8), Chapter 4 Eating (134-152), Chapter 6 Imaginary Refuge (173-193), Chapter 7. Political Anesthesia (194-222), Conclusion (223-238).]

Willis, Margaret M. and Juliet B. Schor. 2012. "Does Changing a Light Bulb Lead to Changing the World? Political Action and the Conscious Consumer." *The ANNALS of the American Academy of Political and Social Science* 644(1):160–90. [1 unit]

Supplementary

Barendregt, Bart A., and Rivke Jaffe, eds. 2014. *Green Consumption: The Global Rise of Eco-Chic*. London, UK and New York, NY: Bloomsbury Academic. (Chapter 1 and one chapter of your choice)

Ross, Andrew. 2013. *Bird on Fire: Lessons from the World's Least Sustainable City*. New York: Oxford University Press.

Schor, Juliet. 2010. *Plenitude: The New Economics of True Wealth*. New York, NY: Penguin.

9. Globalization, Global Commons, Global Environment (8)

Environmental sociology must contend with the globalization of culture, resources flows, capital, and ideas. This section explores tension between various geographic scales (e.g., the national and the global), issues of the global commons, power inequalities in the global political economy, as well as how the field has moved to try and adapt a more global (and less Eurocentric / US-centric) perspective.

Greenough, Paul, and Lowenhaupt Tsing. (Eds.) 2003. *Nature in the Global South: Environmental Projects in South and South Asia*. Durham, NC and London, UK: Duke University Press. [3 units; Introduction and choose two chapters (not including Peluso 2003, included above in the political economy section)]

Dietz, Thomas et al. 2016. "The Struggle to Govern the Commons," *Science*. 302(5652):1907–12. [1 unit]

Hannigan, John. 2017. "Toward a Sociology of Oceans," *Canadian Review of Sociology*. 54 (1): 8-27. [1 unit]

Jorgenson, Andrew K. 2010. "World-Economic Integration, Supply Depots, and Environmental Degradation: A Study of Ecologically Unequal Exchange, Foreign Investment Dependence, and Deforestation in Less Developed Countries." *Critical Sociology* 36(3):453–77. [1 unit]

Kick, Edward L., Laura A. McKinney, Steve McDonald, and Andrew Jorgenson. 2011. "World-System Position: A Network Analysis of Nations." Pp. 311–27 in *Sage Handbook of Social Network Analysis*, edited by J. Scott and P. Carrington. Thousand Oaks, CA, USA and London, UK: Sage Publications. [1 unit]

Lidskog, Rolf, Arthur P. J. Mol, and Peter Oosterveer. 2014. "Towards a Global Environmental Sociology? Legacies, Trends and Future Directions." *Current Sociology* 63(3):339–368. [1 unit]

Supplementary

Elvin, Mark. 2006. *The Retreat of the Elephants: An Environmental History of China*. New Haven, CT: Yale University Press.

Ramutsindela, Maano, Marja Spiereburg and Harry Wels. 2011. *Sponsoring Nature; Environmental Philanthropy for Conservation*. New York: Earthscan. Chapters 1-3.

10. Risk, Disasters, and Catastrophic Events (15)

One key issue that environmental sociologists increasingly contend with is environmental catastrophe – what happens when the natural world move out of the backdrop of social life and becomes part of dramatic, even violent upheavals? Authors in this section contend with environmental disasters ranging from climate change to Hurricane Katrina to the Chernobyl nuclear disaster. A key theme to consider in this section is risk and whether the modern era can be categorized as a distinct "risk society."

Beamish, Thomas D. 2000. "Accumulating Trouble: Complex Organization, a Culture of Silence, and a Secret Spill." *Social Problems*: 473-498. [1 unit]

Beck, Ulrich. 1992. *Risk Society: Toward a New Modernity*. London, UK: Sage. [5 units]

Beck, Ulrich. 2006. "Living in the World Risk Society." *Economy and Society*. 35, 3: 329-345. [1 unit]

Brown, Phil, Brian Mayer, Stephen Zavestoski, Theo Luebke, Joshua Mandelbaum, and Sabrina McCormick. 2003. "The Health Politics of Asthma: Environmental Justice and Collective Illness Experience in the United States." *Social Science & Medicine* 57 (3):453-464. [1 unit]

Clark, Nigel. 2014. "Geo-politics and the Disaster of the Anthropocene." *The Sociological Review* 62: 19-37. [1 unit]

Dunlap, Riley E. and Robert J. Brulle, eds. 2015. *Climate Change and Society: Sociological Perspectives. Report of the American Sociological Association's Task Force on Sociology and Global Climate Change*. New York, NY: American Sociological Association and Oxford, UK: Oxford University Press. [5 units; choose 5 chapters]

Paprocki, Kasia. 2019. "All That Is Solid Melts into the Bay: Anticipatory Ruination and Climate Change Adaptation." *Antipode* 51(1):295–315. [1 unit]

Wynne, Brian. 1989. "Sheepfarming after Chernobyl: A case study in communicating scientific information." *Environment: Science and Policy for Sustainable Development* 31 (2):10-39. [1 unit]

Supplementary

Erikson, Kai. 1998. "Trauma at Buffalo Creek." *Society*. 35: 153-161

Norgaard, Kari. 2011. *Living in Denial: Climate Change, Emotions, and Everyday Life*. Cambridge, MA, USA: The MIT Press.

Perrow, Charles. 1999. *Normal Accidents: Living with High-Risk Technologies*. Princeton, NJ: Princeton University Press.

Tierney, Kathleen J. 2007. "From the Margins to the Mainstream? Disaster Research at the Crossroads." *Annual Review of Sociology* 33(1):503–25.

11. Social Movements (13)

This section of the list addresses political struggles over the environment, understanding politics broadly as the arena of power where individuals and communities struggle to determine the distribution of authority, legitimacy and material resources. Environmental movements are important phenomena for study in their own right. They also should be understood as a major social impetus for the development of environmental sociology as a subfield. These readings should be read in conjunction with the Environmental Justice readings, many of which could have been listed here, too.

Brown, Phil and Susan Masterton-Allen. 1994. "The Toxic Waste Movement: A New Type of Activism." *Society and Natural Resources* 7: 269-87. [1 unit]

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12. Environmental Justice (16)

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