



**Literature for MESS55, Environmental Studies and  
Sustainability Science: Political Ecology and Sustainability  
applies from autumn semester 2019**

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See appendix.

# Miljö- och hållbarhetsvetenskap: Politiskt ekologi och hållbarhet, 7,5 högskolepoäng

*Environmental Studies and Sustainability Science, 7,5 credits*

MESS55 litteraturlista fastställd av LUCSUS styrelse den 13 juni 2019 (dnr STYR 2019/1087).

## **Core literature (selected chapters, about 300 pages total):**

Robbins, P. (2012). *Political Ecology: a Critical Introduction*. Wiley-Blackwell. ISBN 9780470657324 (300 pages)

## **Selected articles and book sections (about 715 pages total):**

Adger, W. N., Benjaminsen, T. A., Brown, K., & Svarstad, H. (2001). Advancing a political ecology of global environmental discourses. *Development and Change*, 32(4), 681–715. (29 pages)

Agrawal, A. (2005). Environmentalism: Community, Intimate Government, and the Making of Environmental Subjects in Kumaon, India. *Current Anthropology*, 46(2), 161–190. (29 pages)

Andersson, E., Brogaard, S., & Olsson, L. (2011). The Political Ecology of Land Degradation. *Annual Review of Environment and Resources*, 36(1), 295–319. doi:10.1146/annurev-environ-033110-092827 (16 pages)

Benjaminsen, T. A., Aune, J. B., & Sidibé, D. (2010). A critical political ecology of cotton and soil fertility in Mali. *Geoforum*, 41(4), 647–656. (9 pages)

Boyd, W., Prudham, W. S., & Schurman, R. A. (2001). Industrial dynamics and the problem of nature. *Society & Natural Resources*, 14(7), 555–570. (15 pages)

Büscher, B., Fletcher, R., Brockington, D., Sandbrook, C., Adams, W. M., Campbell, L., ... Shanker, K. (2017). Half-Earth or Whole Earth? Radical ideas for conservation, and their implications. *ORYX*, 51(3), 407–410. (3 pages)

Castree, N. (2003). Commodifying what nature? *Progress in Human Geography*, 27(3), 273–297. (24 pages)

Cepek, M. L. (2011). Foucault in the forest: Questioning environmentalism in Amazonia. *American Ethnologist*, 38(3), 501–515. (14 pages)

Crutzen, P. J. (2002). Geology of mankind. *Nature*, 415(January), 23. doi:10.1038/415023a (1 page)

Demeritt, D. (2002). What is the “social construction of nature”? A typology and sympathetic critique. *Progress in Human Geography*, 26(6), 767–790. (23 pages)

- Elmhirst, R.** (2015). Feminist Political Ecology. In: Perrault, T., Bridge, G. and McCarthy, J. (eds.) *The Routledge Handbook of Political Ecology*. Routledge, London UK, 519-530. (10 pages)
- Fairhead, J., and **Leach, M.** *Misreading the African landscape: society and ecology in a forest-savanna mosaic*. Cambridge University Press, 1996. (40 pages)
- Fairhead, J., **Leach, M.**, & Scoones, I. (2012). Green Grabbing: a new appropriation of nature? *The Journal of Peasant Studies*, 39(2), 237–261. (19 pages)
- Fischer, J., Clough, Y., Batáry, P., Klein, A.-M., Bawa, S. K., Daily, G. C., ... WEHRDEN, H. VON. (2011). Conservation: Limits of Land Sparing. *Science*, 334(4), 593. (1 page)
- Fletcher, R. (2010). Neoliberal environmentalism: Towards a poststructuralist political ecology of the conservation debate. *Conservation and Society*, 8(3), 171-181. (10 pages)
- Galt, R. E. (2008). Pesticides in export and domestic agriculture: Reconsidering market orientation and pesticide use in Costa Rica. *Geoforum*, 39(3), 1378-1392. (14 pages)
- Ghertner, Asher D. (2011) “Green evictions: environmental discourses of a ‘slum-free’ Delhi”. Chapter 7 in: Peet, R., Robbins, P., & Watts, M. J. (eds.) (2011). *Global Political Ecology*. London - New York: Routledge. (20 pages)
- Hajdu, F.**, Penje, O., & **Fischer, K.** (2016). Questioning the use of “degradation” in climate mitigation: A case study of a forest carbon CDM project in Uganda. *Land Use Policy*, 59, 412–422. doi:10.1016/j.landusepol.2016.09.016 (10 pages)
- Hajdu, F.**, & **Fischer, K.** (2017). Problems, causes and solutions in the forest carbon discourse: a framework for analysing degradation narratives. *Climate and Development*, 9(6), 537–547. doi:10.1080/17565529.2016.1174663 (10 pages)
- Holmes, G., & Cavanagh, C. J. (2016). A review of the social impacts of neoliberal conservation: Formations, inequalities, contestations. *Geoforum*, 75, 199–209. (10 pages)
- Kaijser, A.**, & **Kronsell, A.** (2014). Climate change through the lens of intersectionality. *Environmental politics*, 23(3), 417-433. (16 pages)
- Leach, Melissa**, Ian Scoones, and Andy Stirling. *Dynamic sustainabilities: technology, environment, social justice*. Earthscan, 2010, 230 pages. ISBN 978-1849710930 (50 pages)
- Leach, M.**, & Scoones, I. (2015). Political Ecologies of Carbon in Africa. In M. Leach & I. Scoones (Eds.), *Carbon Conflicts and Forest Landscapes in Africa* (pp. 1–42). London: Routledge. (42 pages)
- Luciano, D.** (2015). The Inhuman Anthropocene. *LA Review of Books*. <http://avidly.lareviewofbooks.org/2015/03/22/the-inhuman-anthropocene/> (3 pages)
- Lövbrand, E.**, **Beck, S.**, Chilvers, J., Forsyth, T., Hedr??n, J., Hulme, M., ... Vasileiadou, E. (2015). Who speaks for the future of Earth? How critical social science can extend the

conversation on the Anthropocene. *Global Environmental Change*, 32, 211–218.  
doi:10.1016/j.gloenvcha.2015.03.012 (7 pages)

Malm, A., & Hornborg, A. (2014). The geology of mankind? A critique of the anthropocene narrative. *Anthropocene Review*, 1(1), 62–69. doi:10.1177/2053019613516291 (6 pages)

**McElwee, P.** (2016). *Forests Are Gold: Seeing the Trees and People for the Forests; Introduction*. Seattle and London: University of Washington Press, pp. 3-28. (Copies will be distributed) (25 pages)

**Mehta, L.** (2011) “The social construction of water scarcity: the case of water in western India”. Chapter 17 in: Peet, R., Robbins, P., & Watts, M. J. (eds.) (2011). *Global Political Ecology*. London - New York: Routledge (16 pages)

**Mollett, S., & Faria, C.** (2013). Messing with gender in feminist political ecology. *Geoforum*, 45, 116–125. (8 pages)

**Moore, S.** (2011) “Global garbage: waste, trash trading, and the local garbage politics”. Chapter 6 in: Peet, R., Robbins, P., & Watts, M. J. (eds.) (2011). *Global Political Ecology*. London - New York: Routledge (12 pages)

Noss, R. F., Dobson, A. P., Baldwin, R., Beier, P., Davis, C. R., Dellasala, D. A., ... Tabor, G. (2012). Bolder thinking for conservation. *Conservation Biology*, 26(1), 16–20. (4 pages)

**Li, T. M.** (2007). Practices of assemblage and community forest management. *Economy and Society*, 36(2), 263–293. (30 pages)

Offen, K. H. (2004). Historical Political Ecology: An Introduction. *Historical Geography*, 32, 19–42. (23 pages)

Pearce, F. (2018). *Sparing vs Sharing: The Great Debate Over How to Protect Nature*. YaleEnvironment360. <https://e360.yale.edu/features/sparing-vs-sharing-the-great-debate-over-how-to-protect-nature> (3 pages)

Peet, R., Robbins, P., & Watts, M. J. (2011). *Global Political Ecology*. London - New York: Routledge, 450 pages. ISBN 9780203842249 (Chapter 1 – Global Nature) (46 pages)

Perreault, T. (2013). Dispossession by accumulation? Mining, water and the nature of enclosure on the bolivian altiplano. *Antipode*, 45(5), 1050–1069. (19 pages)

Phalan, B., Onial, M., Balmford, A., & Green, R. E. (2011). Reconciling Food Production and Biodiversity Conservation: Land Sharing and Land Sparing Compared. *Science*, 333(September), 1289–1292. (3 pages)

Robertson, M. M. (2006). The nature that capital can see: science, state, and market in the commodification of ecosystem services. *Environment and Planning D: Society and Space*, 24(3), 367–387. (19 pages)

Robbins, P. (2015) The Trickster Science. In T. Perreault, G. Bridge, & J. McCarthy (Eds.), *The Routledge Handbook of Political Ecology*. (pp. 89-101). London - New York: Routledge. (10 pages)

Robbins, P. (2002). Obstacles to a First World political ecology? Looking near without looking up. *Environment and planning A*, 34(8), 1509-1513. (3 pages)

Steffen, W., Crutzen, J., & McNeill, J. R. (2007). The Anthropocene: are humans now overwhelming the great forces of Nature? *Ambio*, 36(8), 614–621. doi:10.1579/0044-7447(2007)36[614:TAAHNO]2.0.CO;2 (7 pages)

Sultana, F. (2011). Suffering for water, suffering from water: emotional geographies of resource access, control and conflict. *Geoforum*, 42(2), 163-172. (9 pages)

Svarstad, H., Benjaminsen, T. and Overå, R. "Power theories in political ecology." *Journal of Political Ecology* 25.1 (2018): 350-363. (13 pages)

Truelove, Y. (2011). "(Re-) Conceptualizing water inequality in Delhi, India through a feminist political ecology framework." *Geoforum* 42(2): 143-152. (9 pages)

Turner, B. L., & Robbins, P. (2008). Land-change science and political ecology: similarities, differences, and implications for sustainability science. *Annual Review of Environment and Resources*, 33, 295–316. (15 pages)

Turner, M. D. (2016). "Political ecology II Engagements with ecology." *Progress in Human Geography* 40(3): 413-421. (6 pages)

Female scholars in yellow. *Gender balance: 42% of publications by female scholars.*

Total pages: 1115, + 100 pages to be selected depending on topics of group assignments and individual course paper.

*The amount of readings is motivated by that the course syllabus explicitly states that this is a seminar-based and text-intensive course.*