College of Arts – Online Course Outline

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Course Title:
Philosophy of the Environment

Instructor:
Natalie Evans

Brief Course Synopsis:

Environmental Philosophy asks questions such as: How has 'nature' been conceptualized in the Western philosophical tradition, in aesthetics, science, and ethics? What arguments have been offered for the view that humans are superior among creatures? What connections might there be between the ways that nature, humankind, and animals have been conceptualized and the ways that humans have tended to act toward the non-human natural environment? This course may cover such topics as: climate change, resource extraction and justice, biotechnology, obligations to future generations, risk assessment and discount rates, species lost, conservation vs. preservation.

Textbook(s): TBA

Course Requirements/Evaluation: TBA