

## CLIMATE CHANGE AND INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

Professor: **Dr. Adrien ESTEVE**

Session: **July 2024**

Language of instruction: **English**

Number of hours of class: **10h**



### Objective of the Course

The objective of the course is to learn the main issues and responses to the climate crisis at the international level, in order to understand the contemporary debates in international climate negotiations as well as the geopolitical dimensions of the phenomenon.



### Summary

The speed and scale of climate change presents unique and potentially monumental implications for individuals, international institutions, and states. Long-dominant paradigms and policies in international relations may no longer be appropriate for dealing with the Anthropocene. In response to this phenomenon, this course investigates how states and international actors have responded to these new challenges and how their different understandings of climate change might shape global responses to the issue. It relies on an innovative theoretical approach spanning that helps to capture the complex dynamics of emerging approaches to dealing with the Anthropocene. By comparing and contrasting how different framings of climate change impact various policy sectors, we will assess the barriers and opportunities for addressing this global challenge.



### Final Exam

Students will be assessed on their participation in class throughout the programme (20% of the grade) and on an oral exam: the Petit Oral (80% of the grade).

The Petit Oral will take place on the Thursday of the second week of the programme. It will consist in a group presentation on a determined topic and a written presentation. A specific time will be dedicated to questions.



## **Main Professor Biography**

Dr. Adrien Estève is an assistant professor at Sciences Po Strasbourg. His research focuses on the implication of security and military actors in environmental policies, on the emergence of international forums and networks on climate security and on the evolution of forms of conflict (lawfare). He oversees the research seminar on “Environment and International Relations” at CERI. He was also a visiting scholar at Columbia University for the academic year 2017-2018 and in April 2019.