

Climate Policy in a world in crisis. From Paris to Glasgow, a view from the South

In this course we will explore the international politics of climate change from a critical perspective and from a view of the Global South. We will do so by analyzing climate change from the theory of power, as an expression of a greater, broader, and more encompassing crisis.

We will review the climate change negotiations from Paris to Glasgow, understanding the multiple actors, ideas and the private and governmental interests involved in the negotiations. Behind the diplomatic veil, we will understand that it is both economic and political power factors that decide the fate of international (dis)agreements.

Finally, we will show how a view from the Global South enables a more comprehensive, critical and sensitive understanding of the effects of climate change, recognizing the uneven distribution of the burdens of the crisis from a gendered, racial and a social justice lens.