Course Description:
This course explores the human interaction with and remaking of the global environment. Although spanning the full history of *Homo sapiens*, it will focus particularly on the past 500 years, utilizing the interdisciplinary tools of environmental history. Course material is structured around three global transformations: first, the radical exchange of previously unconnected biota after 1492; second, the epochal shift from human reliance on muscle, solar, and wind energy to fossil fuels; third, the post-World War II transition to the “Anthropocene,” which has been marked by explosive human demographic and economic growth, carbon-driven climate change, and species eradication.

Proposed Assignments:
20%: Attendance and Class Participation
10%: Two In-Class Quizzes
35%: Two In-Class Exams
35%: Final Paper/Project
Proposed Reading List (subject to change):
Lieberman/Gordon, *Climate Change in Human History* (2018)
Selected readings posted on CourseSpaces