Global Environmental Policy

Exploring the principles and strategies of environmental policy

Key words: climate change, resource and energy, disaster risk management municipal policy, public-private partnership, environmental awareness and action policy analysis, environmental politics, environmental law



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Research Topics

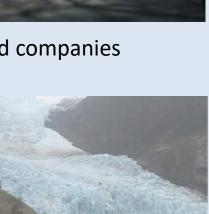
The following topics are studied with methods in social sciences and political philosophy: environmental policy at international, national, and local levels environmental awareness and behavior, environmental governance.

Positive research

- Processes and effects of environmental policy and law
- Public awareness and behavior regarding the environment
- Environmental governance of the government, civil society, and companies

Normative research

- Climate justice
- Environmental justice
- Public deliberation on environmental issues





Educational activities and achievements

Interdisciplinarity with a core

- To choose a core field/method among qualitative research, quantitative analysis, and normative study.
- To approach a research subject, utilizing observations in related areas as well

Multilayered guidance

- Regular individual meeting with a supervisor
- Presentation and discussion at the laboratory's seminar
- Joint seminar of social science laboratories in the GSGES

Students' achievements

Since 2013

- Degrees: 14 people obtained PhD degree; 43 people Master's degree
- Papers published in refereed journals: 46
- Presentations at international conferences: more than 60
- Prizes/awards: 13





Students' research subjects

Various thesis themes

- OMaster's degree (2022 academic year)
- O The Impact of Christian Values on Climate Change Policy of the United States: Voting Behavior of the Faithful in Presidential Elections and Its Implications
- バングラデシュ国南北ダッカ市における清掃労働者のクオリティ・オブ・ライフ(QOL)に関する研究
- O A Telecoupling Assessment of Sustainability Gains and Losses in Globalized Food Systems: The Case of Singapore-Malaysia Poultry Trade
- 農業集落の灌漑管理における移住者の役割: 久米南町山手 地区の事例
- O Heating Poverty Caused by Energy Transition in Northern China



Students' research subjects

	Various thesis themes	☐PhD, ○Master's degree (2021 academic year)	
I	☐ Reformed Environmental Impact Assessment in China: An Evaluation of Its Effectiveness		
☐ Sensitising Justice Concerning Citizens' Acceptance of New Energy Programs in Indonesia			
☐ The Recruiting System of Japanese Spiritual Communities: Environmentalism as a Fishing Hook			
〇 自治体新電力の再生可能エネルギー事業の全国規模分析			
○ 気候変動に関する若年層の意識:日本の活動家の事例			
O Indigenous People's Perception of Indigenous Farming Knowledge for Climate Change Adaptation in Khumbu, Nepal			
\ensuremath{O} The Policy Implementation Process of Rural Living Environment Improvement: The Case of Shilong Town in China			
	O Sustainability of Returning Farmland to Forest or Pasture: The Case of Northern Shaanxi Province		
(O The Impact of Public Participation on Photovoltaic Poverty Alleviation Project in China		





Members and careers

Members

- Faculty and staff: professor, assistant professor, postdoctoral researcher, secretary
- Students: 11 doctoral students, 11 Master's program students, 2 research students

Internships

UNESCO Bangkok, PlanEnergi (Denmark), Economic Research Institute for ASEAN and East Asia (Jakarta), Research Institute for Humanity and Nature, Institute for Global Environmental Strategies, Institute for Sustainable Energy Policies, etc.

Alumni

- Universities and institutes: Kyoto University, University of Tokyo, Institute for Humanity and Nature, Green Technology Center (Korea), Thuy Loi University (Vietnam), etc.
- Businesses: Mitsui Sumitomo Banking, IBM Japan, Hitachi, Sharp, Rakuten, Mizuho
 Research & Technologies, Daiwa Securities, DeNA, Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu, etc.
- Governments and public organizations: Ministry of Foreign Affairs, New Energy and Industrial Technology Development Organization, UNESCO Jakarta, etc.



