

<b>Course title</b> <English>	生物資源經濟学特別講義 IVA Special Lecture on Natural Resources Economics IVA		<b>Affiliated department, Job title,Name</b>	Part-time Lecturer,NEU , Claudia	
<b>Target year</b>	1st year students or above	<b>Number of credits</b>	1	<b>Course offered year/period</b>	2017/First semester
<b>Day/period</b>	Other	<b>Class style</b>	Lecture	<b>Language</b>	English
<b>[Outline and Purpose of the Course]</b>					
<p>One of the primary objectives of this course is to introduce students to the principles of sociology in general and key concepts of rural sociology in particular. In addition, we want to provide the analytical tools for understanding the processes inherent to these concepts. Beyond that, the course aims at enhancing students' ability to identify different research perspectives and to critically discuss and analyse research strategies and methods.</p>					
<b>[Course Goals]</b>					
<p>As an introduction to rural sociology, this course is designed to give an overview of the sociological concepts of " demographic change ", " socioeconomic developments and social problems in rural areas " (deprivation, rural poverty). We will discuss the future of rural landscape and societies. Lectures outline each of these issues and position them within the context of sociology. We will use seminars to debate key questions raised during lectures and to discuss selected issues based on academic publications.</p>					
<b>[Course Schedule and Contents]</b>					
<p>Lecture 1: Introduction  Lecture 2: No Man ' s Land? Demographic Change (in rural areas)  Lecture 3: The Void - Territorial Inequality and Polarisation  Lecture 4: Only the brave? About the Future of Rural Societies  Lecture 5: Hillbilly Elegy - Deprivation and Rural Poverty  Lecture 6: First Movers. Social Innovation in Rural Development.  Lecture 7: Bees in town. Urban gardening - just fun for Urban Hipster?  Lecture 8: Into the Wild? Back to Wilderness or designing Tourist Resorts?</p>					
<b>[Class requirement]</b>					
English proficiency suitable for understanding the lectures and contributing to the discussions.					
<b>[Method, Point of view, and Attainment levels of Evaluation]</b>					
<p>The approach will generally be a sociological analysis of the transformation of rural societies in the western world. This development is forced by demographic, economic and social change. Nowadays we observe a differentiation and polarisation of rural wellbeing and lifestyle in Europe and the US. Therefore the theoretical and empirical focus lies on social inequality in general and territorial inequality in special.</p> <p>Grading will be done on the basis of class participation and discussion (50%), homework assignments regarding readings (30%), and a brief assigned presentation by each student (20%). More than three absences without official excuse receives a fail.</p> <p>Refer to "2017 Guide to Degree Programs" for attainment levels of evaluation.</p>					
<b>[Textbook]</b>					
No textbook. Only several short readings associated with the lectures.					
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**[Reference books, etc.]**

**( Reference books )**

Arlie Russel Hochschild: Strangers in Their Own Land. Anger and Mourning on the American Right: A Journey to the Heart of Our Political Divide. New York, 2016.

Georg Packard: The Unwinding: An Inner History of the New America, New York, 2013.

J.D.Vance: Hillbilly Elegy. A Memoir of a Family and Culture in Crisis, New York, 2016.

**[Regarding studies out of class (preparation and review)]**

**( Others (office hour, etc.) )**

The lecturer, Prof. Dr. Claudia Neu, is Professor of Rural Sociology at Department of Agricultural Economics and Rural Development, University of Göttingen, Germany.

This intensive lecture course is scheduled to be held in the week starting Monday 24th July.

The exact dates/periods and venue are to be announced later.

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