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**Course Code:** Pol 3321 **Credit unit: 2 Course Title: Environmental Politics**

**Level:** 300 **Semester:** First **Session:** 2019/2020

**Class Venue: DLC 1**.   **Course Lecturers:** Rwang P.S.

**PREAMBLE**

The course is designed to introduce, expose, and educate students about the fundamentals and dynamics of Environment. It is also thought to furnish students with key knowledge on how environment is handling with the instrument of politics. It also aims at developing the analytical skills of the students with a view to enable them understand the complexity and nature of Environment. We shall also examine some salient conceptual and theoretical issues found in politics of Environment. Elaborately, the guiding principles of how humanity is expected to take care of the environment shall be well treated and all it facets shall be discussed and analysed, to enable students appreciates the consistency, role and functions of the environment in global politics.

**Course Objectives**

To equip the Students with core knowledge of what Environment is and essential details of what the course is all about. The Students will be able to understand the politics involved in managing the environment for the benefit of humanity and nature in general. The Students will be equipped with good knowledge of politics, decision making as relates to the environment at local, state, national and international levels. The Students will be familiarized with the concept of Environmental Politics to enable him or she has the understanding of how the environment operates and contributes to mankind existence on earth. It will be of immense important in preparing the Students for the future in Environmental Politics. As students power, Politics and Government, some can even develop research interest in environment management and possibly pick environmental studies as a career in political science and also to get them set for examination, term paper and test(s) with much ease and preparedness.

**Course Assessment/Evaluation strategy:**

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| **Mode of Assessment** | | **Marking Scheme** |
| 1. Continuous Assessment (40%) | 75% Attendance | % |
| Individual Written Assignment | 15% |
| Group Assignment presentations | 10% |
| Written Test | 15% |
| 1. End of Semester Examination | | 60% |
| **Total** | | **100%** |

**Course Outline**

**1: what is Environmental Politics?**

a. Origin, Aim and Scope of Environmental Politics

b. Environmental Resources and Environmental Quality

d. Environmental Policy

**2: Environmental issues, Challenges and Problems**

1. Deforestation & Desertification
2. Air Pollution
3. Species extinction
4. Soil Degradation
5. Overpopulation
6. Waste Disposal System & Human Health

**3: Management and Conservation of Environmental Resources**

1. Environmental Management
2. Environmental Conservation
3. Recycling
4. Renewable natural Resources
5. Conflict and Collaboration in Natural Resource Management

**4: Natural Resources and Environmental Effect Assessment**

1. Environmental Justice
2. Environmental Activism
3. Democratic Decentralization of Natural Resources Management
4. Environmental Impact Assessment

**5: Collective Responsibility for Global Action on Environment**

1. World Bank
2. The United Nations
3. Africa Union
4. ECOWAS

**6: The Nigerian State role in Environmental Protection**

1. The Southern zone
2. The Eastern region
3. The Northern zone

**7: Green Politics and the Blue Economy**

1. Aquatic animals protection
2. Sea food preservation

**8: Contemporary Global Environmental Issues**

1. Climate Change
2. Global warming
3. Ozone Depletion
4. Biodiversity loss
5. Conflicts
6. Migrations

**Further Reading Materials**

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