



GRS 195: Bicycles, Globalization, and Sustainability

Awesome UVM Summer Course!

In recent years the bicycle has enjoyed a renaissance as a form of sustainable urban transportation in many major cities throughout the world, primarily as governments and activists seek ways to reduce the social, health, and environmental problems caused by automobile pollution and congestion. In addition to exploring this global phenomenon, this course examines a number of issues relevant to understanding the complex connections between globalization, cycling, and urban sustainability. These themes include: theorizing contemporary forms of urban mobility and how transportation technologies, specifically the bicycle, relate to social change; the dynamic role of the bicycle around the world (primarily Asia, Latin America, Europe, and North America) as a form of transportation; and the current adoption of the bicycle by urban environmental movements. This course will offer many opportunities to directly explore how issues around sustainability and cycling play out in Burlington, through bicycle "fieldtrips" to local organizations involved in transportation and sustainability. 3 credits.

WHEN:

May 23-June 17, 2011

Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays: 1:00-4:30pm

FACULTY:

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This course is open to UVM students, as well as students at any college and community members who sign up through UVM Continuing Education

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