ENVR 102—SPRING 2019
ENVIRONMENTAL LAW AND FEDERAL POLICIES IN
AMERICAN INDIAN COUNTRY

Tues/Thurs 8:00am to 9:20am - Center 222

*course will be viewable during second pass, please plan to enroll during your second pass enrollment appointment time.

“No real progress can be made in environmental law unless some of the insights into the sacredness of land derived from traditional tribal religions become basic attitudes of the larger society.”

Vine Deloria, J.D. Standing Rock Sioux

Professor Heather Ponchetti Daly
Iipay Nation of Santa Ysabel

This class will examine contemporary and historical environmental cases affecting American Indian tribes and nations, such as uranium mining in the Navajo Nation, water rights in Coachella Valley and the Agua Caliente Band, the Dakota Access Pipeline and the Standing Rock Sioux Tribe, also other issues affecting Indian Country. We will look at the
background and case law pertaining to federal and state laws and policies of land, water, and natural resources. Emphasis will be placed on the nature of the U.S. government-tribal trust relationship and the doctrine of reserved rights as it applies to the land and water. We will examine treaty rights and sovereignty (quasi-sovereignty) of American Indian nations. Also, included in this class will be a critical analysis of federal environmental law as it applies to the access, use, and protection of sacred lands and sites.

**Please Note:** Counts for the Group B Social Sci/Humanities elective group of the Env Studies minor. ENVR 102 is a rotating topics course number may only be taken a maximum of 3 times for credit.

Course requires UD standing (completion of 90+ units); please send an EASY request for permission to enroll if needed: https://academicaffairs.ucsd.edu/Modules/Students/PreAuth