Living with Environmental Change

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What are the risks of climate change? What are the options for avoiding or managing these risks? How can we protect human wellbeing and economic prosperity without exploiting non-human ecosystems? With projected sea-level change what are the future challenges for coastal cities like Liverpool? This module introduces students to these Grand Challenges facing society and asks what is being, or could be, done to address them.

Living with Environmental Change is a key interdisciplinary research theme currently being addressed worldwide - from tackling climate change and carbon emissions to promoting sustainable resource use and energy efficiency. This module gives students an understanding of the challenges society faces in living with environmental change; an appreciation of the significance of interdisciplinary working in addressing the Grand Challenges; and an understanding that Geography plays a key role in the Living With Environmental Change (LWEC) research agenda.

Through a combination of lectures and workshop-style seminars, students will become familiar with key academic debates regarding living with environmental change and will explore the linkages between research, policy and sustainability.

The assessment is a two-hour short-answer style exam.

