

SUMMER 2016



IRELAND

global ecologies studio

June 18 - July 16
Ballyvaughan, Ireland

This is a combined studio and science course offered to students who are looking for an opportunity to explore their studio art practice while examining various concepts found in ecology and earth systems. This class is based in the Burren of Western Ireland, which provides a unique experiential and observable location with which to explore the relationships between landscape and the social sphere.

We will investigate, with a combined science and fine art practice, how our social and earth ecologies coexist and interrelate. We will examine ways anthropogenic influences are shaping large-scale interactions of climate, oceans and the biosphere to define our shared environment. Class meetings

will include seminars on the scientific discourse around ecological thought, as well as discussions of contemporary fine art practice by faculty and visiting Irish artists, and local experts of The Burren. Multiple field trips and excursions into the local landscape and cultural surroundings will be an important component of the course. Environmental and social justice, ecological thought, and activism will be central themes.

Participating students will have dedicated studio space in order to explore their own creative practice in response to the concepts presented in the class. Students will be expected to read contemporary ecological theory, write, research and articulate their findings and ideas to the class. Student

participation will be drawn from a variety of art and design institutions associated with the PALS consortium, a program of the Association of Independent Colleges of Art & Design (AICAD). Students can anticipate an immersive, stimulating, and intellectually enriching experience that fosters critical dialogue and international connectivity while pursuing their own artistic growth.

Additional information, including application and registration process can be found at the Burren College of Art.

Burren College of Art:
burrencollege.ie

PALS:
sustainablepals.com

AICAD:
aicad.org

Multi-College / Multi-Disciplinary

Hosted by:

Burren College of Art

Faculty:

Hugh Pocock - MICA (Studio)
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6 credits (3 studio, 3 science)

200/300 level
4 weeks

Cost Per Student:

3800 Euro

*Includes tuition, studio, and housing based on twin room occupancy in self-catering accommodation

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