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**DVLP3350** 

Management of natural resources: the geo-political dimension and strategies of the actors

[30h] 7 credits

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Language: French
Level: Third cycle

### **Aims**

The three seminars that are run during the second and third terms (Courses DVLP 3350, DVLP 3360 and DVLP 3370) should enable students, through work linked to work carried out by a supervisory research team, to demonstrate their ability to draw up and conduct a research topic.

The specific objective of this seminar is to analyse the strategies of actors within the framework of the management of natural resources, and focusing mainly on the geo-political dimension of this management.

#### Main themes

Using case studies, the seminar will analyse:

- 1. the development of trends in respect of the appropriation and management of natural resources;
- 2. the actors' strategies;
- 3. changes that have taken place in the social and political fabric in the societies concerned;
- 4. disputes over the distribution of (land, water, oil and other) resources by local and world actors.

# Content and teaching methods

The first part of the seminar (15 hours during the second term) will take the form of introductory talks, documentary research, and an initial report on existing literature on the subject chosen by the student.

The second part (15 hours in the third term) will be entirely given over to the drafting of a report and its presentation by the student.

# Other information (prerequisite, evaluation (assessment methods), course materials recommended readings, ...)

Pre-requirement: Participation in the seminar will assume an introduction to the political history and economic development of developing countries.

## Other credits in programs

**DVLP3DA** Diplôme d'études approfondies en développement, (7 credits) Mandatory

environnement et sociétés