

1.5-hour lecture / discussion period twice a week	
Lectures and in-class activities / assignments	
Reading response papers:	30%
In-class worksheets:	20%
Project proposal and bibliography:	15%
Final project	35%

Markets are everywhere. From buying groceries at the supermarket to the complex financial instruments that led to the Great Recession, markets are fundamental to the organization of everyday life. This is truer now than ever, with the expansion of market logics into new areas of life from systems of care (social programs, long-term care facilities, etc.) to the pricing of environmental processes (carbon markets, green bonds for land conservation etc.).

In this course we will examine how political decisions, social structures, and environmental systems shape market exchange as well as the functioning of economies more broadly. We will pay particular attention to