

Semester	JAN 2022
Open to semester	4
Course code	EC2213
Course title	Principles of Planetary Climate
Credits	3 /
Course Coordinator & participating faculty (if any)	Joy Merwin Monteiro
Nature of Course	Lectures
Pre-requisites	Introduction to the Climate System and Python programming course
Objectives (goals, type of students for whom useful, outcome etc)	This course introduces a hierarchical system of mathematical models to analyse the climate system, and the basic physics behind planetary climate
Course contents (details of topics /sections with no. of lectures for each)	<p>Energy balance in the climate system; zero dimensional energy balance model; Notion of radiating temperature; application to snowball earth dynamics and planetary habitability;</p> <p>Shell model, implications for surface energy balance, radiating height;</p> <p>Radiative transfer in planetary atmospheres; optical thickness; solutions in idealised cases;</p> <p>Grey gas approximation; Radiative transfer in a grey gas; radiative equilibrium;</p> <p>Instability of radiative equilibrium and radiative-convective equilibrium</p> <p>Real gases and their behaviour; atmospheric scattering; impact on climate of a planet.</p> <p>Energy balance in a single column model; Surface energy balance; transport of energy by dynamics; general circulation of the atmosphere and ocean as diffusive processes.</p>
Evaluation /assessment	<p>End-Sem Examination-30%</p> <p>Mid-Sem Examination-30%</p> <p>Others-40% Assignments%</p>

Suggested readings (with full list of authors, publisher, year, edn etc.)	Principles of Planetary Climate by Raymond Pierrehumbert Selected research papers and popular articles
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