Course Syllabus

1. **Program of Study** Bachelor of Arts (Social Science / Natural Science)

Faculty/Institute/College Mahidol University International College

2. Course Code ICSA 202 / ICNS 152

Course Title Ecology in Southeast Asia / Southeast Asian Ecology

3. Number of Credits 4 (Lecture / Lab) (4-0)

4. Prerequisite (s) none

5. Type of Course Elective for Southeast Asian Studies majors

6. Trimester / Academic Year Each trimester / every year

7. Course Description

An overview of the ecological systems of the region; selected issues, problems and areas are studied in greater detail.

8. Course Objective (s)

To increase student's knowledge and awareness of human interaction (s) with the region's natural environment, and related global themes.

9. Course Outline

Week	Topic		Instructor
	Lecture	Hour	instructor
1	Introduction. Biological Diversity	4	John Glatzmayer
2	Buddhism and ecology. Ecological transition	4	
3	Swidden agriculture : mainland and island	4	
4	Deforestation: Indonesian forest fires	4	
5	Deep ecology. Rights of nature	4	
6	Review. Midterm Examination	4	
7	Sustainable development. Ecotourism	4	
8	Wildlife conservation. National Park systems	4	
9	Ecology of freshwater environments	4	
10	Ecology of saltwater environments	4	
11	Urban ecology. Review	4	
	Total	44	

10. Teaching Method (s)

Lecture: Questions and answers classroom discussions

11. Teaching Media

Readings packet and film materials, news article handouts.

12. Measurement and evaluation of student achievement

(i.e. Grading Scheme). Grades given according to a fixed scale (Students receiving marks of 90% and above will receive letter grade A; those receive less than 50% will fail, etc.

13. Course evaluation

(i.e. Grading components) Evaluation will be based on a midterm and a final examination, worth 45% and 55% respectively. Questions will usually take the short answer format.

14. Reference (s)

RJ. Rigg, ed. <u>Counting the Costs. Economic Growth and Environmental Change in Thailand.</u> Singapore: ISEAS, 1995. Selected chapters. <u>Man and Nature: A Cross-Cultural Perspective.</u> Bangkok: Chulalongkorn University Press, 1973 selected chapters. ISBN 974 - 584 - 241 - 3.

15. Instructor (s)

John Glatzmayer, MA

16. Course Coordinator

John Glatzmayer, MA