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ETHN 113A Decolonizing Geology \wedge Spring 2021 Tuesday/Thursday 200-320PM PDT |||| Online/Synchronous

The origins, development and practice of the geological sciences are closely tied to colonization, but these ties rarely are acknowledged, discussed, critiqued or used as a basis for rethinking present day practices and trends. In this course, we will deconstruct the historical, functional and dynamical relationships between colonialism and geology, discuss how these relationships have developed over time, and explore practical methods for how geology (and, by extension, earth science and other fields of western science) might be decolonized as a step in broader decolonial struggles.

Further info and class links: <https://courses.complex-systems-laboratory.org/ethn113a>
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What is Colonialism?
 Colonization and Geology
 On Kumeyaay Land

What is Geology?
 Extractivism
 Structural Violence
 Geological
 Measurements and Models

The Anthropocene
 Indigenous Resistance
 Forms of Knowledge
 What is Decolonization?

ETHN 113A will be conducted on stolen, colonized, occupied, unceded Kumeyaay Land. Discussions about return of the Land and restoration of its Relationality will occur throughout the quarter.