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STUDY REQUIREMENT

3 weeks, 4 hours per week

LEARNING OUTCOMES

- Reflect on the complexities of the climate system, and be able to put the recently observed, man-made changes in climate in the context of past natural changes.
- Explain the underlying physical processes governing climate variations in the past, present and future.
- Describe the role of atmosphere and ocean energy transport and their impact on regional variations in climate.
- Summarise the main feedback mechanisms in the climate system.
- Describe the role of ocean heat uptake for the timescales of response to changes in climate forcing.

SYLLABUS

- Radiative forcing
- · Climate feedbacks and heat transport
- · Past changes in climate and ocean heat uptake

