

Term Project Update, Feedback Summary

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ESD.10 Meta-Learning Objective: Appreciate the political, social, and institutional context of technological systems

Current issues in technology and policy

Learning to see:

Goals (equity, efficiency, security, liberty) Problem framing (symbols, numbers, causes, interests) Policy solutions (inducements, rules, facts, rights, powers)

Learning to analyze:

Policy analysis toolkit (positions, powers, resources, channels, windows, technology constraints and enablers) Economics (cost-benefit analysis, pareto optimality, utility) Term Project (conceive, design, execute a policy research project)

Historical context of S&T policy

Learning to articulate:

Writing (policy memos, policy research studies) Dialogue (recitations, class discussions) Presentation (term project, group homeworks)

"Real world" experiences of policy practitioners