MET 1221: Severe & Hazardous Weather

This introductory meterorology course covers the fundamentals of meteorology with emphasis on severe and hazardous weather and effects of these on human life, environment and the economy. Severe storms that include tropical cyclones (hurricanes), extratropical cyclones, "Nor-easters", thunderstorms, lightning, tornados, and blizzards are featured. Floods, droughts, cold waves and heat waves are covered and their effects on health, agriculture and commerce are discussed. Also included are causes and effects of climate change with emphasis on the recent global warming trends over the last century. The consequences of global warming on the global economy will be stressed.

Credits: 3 Prerequisites:

Program: Astrophysics and Planetary Science