

ABSTRACT:

It is important for society as a whole to understand about this issue that is facing us today known as Climate Change. It is more important though that our future leaders and decision makers present in our universities have a firm grasp on the various aspects. Climate Change is theorized to be occurring as a result of the past century which was full of human induced activities that are influencing the global climate today. This study examines the knowledge content, applications, lifestyle and demographic variability of students at the University of the West Indies, St. Augustine Campus. A survey, with 20 statements and 8 demographic and personal details questions, was administered to 25 students to assess their climate change understanding and literacy level. No great differences were found between genders, ethnic groups, faculties, academic level, GPA and information sources. The study showed that students had an average understanding and literacy level on climate change. Recommendations were made that a more qualitative study be done to gather data that will be more illuminating on this subject.