

COURSE DETAIL

ECONOMY, CULTURE AND POWER

Country

Hong Kong

Host Institution

Chinese University of Hong Kong

Program(s)

Chinese University of Hong Kong

UCEAP Course Level

Upper Division

UCEAP Subject Area(s)

Anthropology

UCEAP Course Number

133

UCEAP Course Suffix**UCEAP Official Title**

ECONOMY, CULTURE AND POWER

UCEAP Transcript Title

ECONOMY & CULTURE

UCEAP Quarter Units

4.50

UCEAP Semester Units

3.00

Course Description

This course introduces economic and political anthropology, two of the major subfields of anthropology. For anthropologists, the economy is not numbers and markets, but how cultures produce, distribute, and consume goods. People in different cultures have different ways of making a living, but they are not completely different; what are the patterns and rules? Is it human nature to be selfish and always want more things? Why do some people and countries have more wealth than others? Is poverty natural and inevitable? These are not just matters of economics, but of power. This course then examines a few aspects of political economy, from consumerism and the destruction of the environment, to nationalism, protest and rebellion.

Language(s) of Instruction

English

Host Institution Course Number

ANTH3380

Host Institution Course Title

ECONOMY, CULTURE AND POWER

Host Institution Campus

Host Institution Faculty

Host Institution Degree

Host Institution Department

Anthropology

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