

COURSE DETAIL

BERLIN HISTORY AND LITERATURE

Country

Germany

Host Institution

Free University of Berlin

Program(s)

European Studies

UCEAP Course Level

Upper Division

UCEAP Subject Area(s)

History German

UCEAP Course Number

104

UCEAP Course Suffix**UCEAP Official Title**

BERLIN HISTORY AND LITERATURE

UCEAP Transcript Title

BERLIN HISTORY&LIT

UCEAP Quarter Units

4.50

UCEAP Semester Units

3.00

Course Description

This course explores the representations and topographies of Berlin between the first German reunification and the second. The course focuses on the major events and conflicts that have had lasting presence: the rise of the modern metropolis; economic depression and social unrest; the two world wars; Nazism and the Holocaust; and the Cold War and its aftermath - the most disruptive and defining events of the 20th century. Students examine the conflicting identities, ideologies, and aesthetic theories informing the events that have shaped collective history. Of central concern are the conflicting identities, ideologies, and aesthetic theories informing the events that have shaped the history of Berlin. Part of the course involves developing strategies for reading and walking through this multi-layered and contradictory landscape. In addition to discussing the regular reading assignments, students devote some time to discussing the complex relations between space, text, history, and memory. Relevant films are watched and city excursions are organized outside of regular class times.

Language(s) of Instruction

English

Host Institution Course Number

FU-BEST 7

Host Institution Course Title

BERLIN: HISTORY, MEMORY, LITERATURE

Host Institution Campus

Free Univ. Berlin

Host Institution Faculty

Host Institution Degree

Host Institution Department

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