

COURSE DETAIL

SOCIAL PROBLEMS

Country

Hong Kong

Host Institution

University of Hong Kong

Program(s)

University of Hong Kong

UCEAP Course Level

Upper Division

UCEAP Subject Area(s)

Sociology

UCEAP Course Number

110

UCEAP Course Suffix**UCEAP Official Title**

SOCIAL PROBLEMS

UCEAP Transcript Title

SOCIAL PROBLEMS

UCEAP Quarter Units

5.00

UCEAP Semester Units

3.30

Course Description

This course introduces a sociological approach to understanding social problems. It demonstrates how the sociological imagination can be exercised with the theoretical perspectives covered, to make sense of and analyze contemporary social problems in a way conducive to possibilities of changes or solutions. The course shows why seemingly isolated social problems are not aggregates of personal troubles; more precisely, how sociological perspectives shed light on how social problems are always multi-faceted and connected by broader historical and social forces. In particular, attention is drawn to the way social problems are produced by systems of inequality and power, and are part of the way our society is organized, especially in the midst of social changes. The course concludes by reflecting upon how individuals and the society can act and address these social problems. Text: Rubington, E., & Weinberg, M.S., THE STUDY OF SOCIAL PROBLEMS. Assessment: tutorial participation and project, essays, final exam.

Language(s) of Instruction

English

Host Institution Course Number

SOCI2041

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Host Institution Campus

Host Institution Faculty

Host Institution Degree

Host Institution Department

Sociology

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