

COURSE DETAIL

INTRODUCTION TO CULTURAL STUDIES

Country

Japan

Host Institution

International Christian University

Program(s)

International Christian University

UCEAP Course Level

Lower Division

UCEAP Subject Area(s)

Anthropology

UCEAP Course Number

52

UCEAP Course Suffix**UCEAP Official Title**

INTRODUCTION TO CULTURAL STUDIES

UCEAP Transcript Title

CULTURAL STUDIES

UCEAP Quarter Units

4.00

UCEAP Semester Units

2.70

Course Description

This course examines the history and development of cultural studies in different social contexts. Cultural studies examine how we have become who we are; how the rules governing our cultures are constructed; and how we, as social beings, live in society. This course outlines the historical formation of cultural studies and introduces key concerns and theoretical perspectives in the field. Specifically, the course focuses on the way in which popular culture and media are associated with these issues.

This course introduces basic references and debates of cultural studies and helps students to consider how the social world and our everyday lives are associated with key concerns of cultural studies. The main (but not exclusive) topics include:

- What Culture and cultural studies are about
- The emergence of cultural studies as a discipline (in the UK, the US and Japan)
- Mass culture vs. popular culture
- The Frankfurt School and the culture industry
- The politics of popular culture
- Why class, race, and gender matter
- Celebrity culture in the mediated world
- Fandom and identity

Language(s) of Instruction

English

Host Institution Course Number

MCC103E

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Host Institution Campus

International Christian University

Host Institution Faculty**Host Institution Degree****Host Institution Department**

Media, Communication and Culture

Course Last Reviewed

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