COURSE DETAIL

THE WORLDS OF THE INDIAN OCEAN
Country United Kingdom - England
Host Institution King's College London
Program(s) King's College London
UCEAP Course Level Upper Division
UCEAP Subject Area(s) History
UCEAP Course Number 126
UCEAP Course Suffix
UCEAP Official Title THE WORLDS OF THE INDIAN OCEAN
UCEAP Transcript Title INDIAN OCEAN
UCEAP Quarter Units 6.00
UCEAP Semester Units 4.00

Course Description
This course offers an overview of the history of the Indian Ocean from ancient times until the 21st century, with particular emphasis on the role of Islam and Muslim traders in the making of Indian Ocean worlds, the era following European intervention in the region in the 16th century, and the reconfiguration of oceanic space since 1945. The course examines the constitution, adaptation, and reconfiguration of the region's extensive maritime networks. How and why did people move across the ocean? What technological, political, economic, or environmental conditions enabled this long-distance travel? What goods were being transported? How did interaction and exchange shape societies on the Indian Ocean littoral? What was the balance between conflict and accommodation in this interaction? What did it feel like to be a sailor, a pirate, a merchant, a pilgrim, an envoy, a migrant, or a slave on an Indian Ocean? By reflecting upon these questions, this course emphasizes the Indian Ocean's importance in history, while also introducing students to a different way of approaching world history.

Language(s) of Instruction
English

Host Institution Course Number
5AAH1072

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Host Institution Campus
King's College London

Host Institution Faculty

Host Institution Degree

Host Institution Department
History, Arts&Humanities

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