COURSE DETAIL

DOCTOR/PATIENT RELATIONSHIPS IN EUROPE (1750-1850)
Country Germany
Host Institution Humboldt University Berlin
Program(s) Humboldt University Berlin
UCEAP Course Level Upper Division
UCEAP Subject Area(s) History European Studies
UCEAP Course Number 180
UCEAP Course Suffix
UCEAP Official Title DOCTOR/PATIENT RELATIONSHIPS IN EUROPE (1750-1850)
UCEAP Transcript Title DR-PATIEN RELAT EUR
UCEAP Quarter Units 4.50
UCEAP Semester Units 3.00

Course Description

This course focuses on the therapeutic relationship between physician/surgeon and patient, at a time of major socio-economic change, political turmoil, and advent of the clinical gaze in medicine. After a first phase of contextualization, the course is organized in thematic subsections, in which text pertaining to these questions as well as some historical sources is read and discussed. The course examines the economic dimension of medicine and the impact it has on patients' agency in the therapeutic relationship in a context of competition between surgeons, physicians, and other health practitioners. The course also focuses on the question of pain management and the sensory experience of surgery before the advent of anesthesia. Finally, there is a focus on the doctor/patient relationship in institutional contexts such as hospitals and prisons, with a deeper look at the case of military surgery. The colonial context, while not at the heart of this course, is also included. The question of power dynamics between physician and patients, including questions of in particular of class, race, and gender are present throughout.

Language(s) of Instruction
English

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Host Institution Campus

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Host Institution Degree
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