# **COURSE DETAIL**

# MAXIMIZING PERFORMANCE: BRECHT, BOAL AND BIG BUSINESS

# **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)**

**Dramatic Arts** 

### **UCEAP Course Number**

118

#### **UCEAP Course Suffix**

#### **UCEAP Official Title**

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# **UCEAP Transcript Title**

**BRECHT/BOAL&BUSINES** 

# **UCEAP Quarter Units**

6.00

### **UCEAP Semester Units**

4.00

### **Course Description**

In this course students trace the journey of representational methods first developed by anti-capitalist theater practitioners such as Bertolt Brecht and Augusto Boal into the very sphere these authors and playwrights often critiqued – the world of big business - and back again. Students examine the development of Meyerhold's biomechanics and Brecht's Gestus and the V-effect in the early 20th century. They explore methods developed by postwar thinkers and practitioners such as Augusto Boal, how Boal and Brecht's techniques of effecting change in social structures have been adopted by the business world itself, and the return of big business as subject matter for political theater in the 21st Century, with a focus on contemporary theater and performance practices.

### Language(s) of Instruction

English

### **Host Institution Course Number**

6AAYML01

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# **Host Institution Campus**

King's College London

# **Host Institution Faculty**

**Host Institution Degree** 

# **Host Institution Department**

Literature, Management

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