

## COURSE DETAIL

### LIVING IN A TECHNOLOGICAL CULTURE I: INTRODUCTION TO SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY STUDIES

**Country**

Netherlands

**Host Institution**

Maastricht University – University College Maastricht

**Program(s)**

University College Maastricht

**UCEAP Course Level**

Upper Division

**UCEAP Subject Area(s)**

Sociology Anthropology

**UCEAP Course Number**

115

**UCEAP Course Suffix****UCEAP Official Title**

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**UCEAP Transcript Title**

TECHNOLOGY CULTURE

**UCEAP Quarter Units**

6.00

**UCEAP Semester Units**

4.00

**Course Description**

This course analyzes techno-science as a socio-cultural phenomenon. It offers an introduction to Science and Technology Studies (STS). It introduces students to the multiple ways in which science and technology, individuals and institutions mutually shape one another to the benefit and sometimes detriment of society. This course takes a critical approach to science and engineering. Students think critically but constructively about aspects of science and technology by focusing on different empirical domains such as human enhancement (e.g. Google glasses, Ritalin, Blade runner), disasters (e.g. Fukushima, Hurricane Katerina), the gene revolution (e.g. Monsanto) and the politics of artifacts (e.g. park benches, the UCM building, and nuclear plants) while using a set of principles and approaches from the field of Science and Technology Studies.

**Language(s) of Instruction**

English

**Host Institution Course Number**

HUM2046

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**Host Institution Campus**

University College Maastricht

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

Humanities

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