

COURSE DETAIL

SOCIOLOGY 2A: THINKING SOCIOLOGICALLY

Country

United Kingdom - Scotland

Host Institution

University of Edinburgh

Program(s)

University of Edinburgh

UCEAP Course Level

Upper Division

UCEAP Subject Area(s)

Sociology

UCEAP Course Number

128

UCEAP Course Suffix**UCEAP Official Title**

SOCIOLOGY 2A: THINKING SOCIOLOGICALLY

UCEAP Transcript Title

THINK SOCIOLOGICALY

UCEAP Quarter Units

8.00

UCEAP Semester Units

5.30

Course Description

The course introduces students to core theoretical debates in sociology and illustrates these by reference to case studies. The course begins by introducing students to key debates in social theory, and then considers the significance of issues of agency, social stratification, and social change in contemporary social life. The second part offers a detailed discussion of inequality in social life. It questions how privileges are reproduced and reinforced, and highlights the intersectional nature of social inequality. The third part asks why structures of inequality persist, and how they can be changed by focusing on social movements in a global context, concluding with a discussion of theories of power. The last part looks at some of the classic theorists of society, especially Marx and Weber, and their analyses of capitalism. Students draw on contemporary cases to illustrate the contemporary relevance and insights of these thinkers.

Language(s) of Instruction

English

Host Institution Course Number

SCIL08012

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Host Institution Campus

Edinburgh

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Host Institution Degree

Host Institution Department

Sociology

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