

# COURSE DETAIL

## THEORETICAL PERSPECTIVES IN SOCIAL ANTHROPOLOGY AND MATERIAL CULTURE

**Country**

United Kingdom - England

**Host Institution**

University College London

**Program(s)**

University College London

**UCEAP Course Level**

Upper Division

**UCEAP Subject Area(s)**

Anthropology

**UCEAP Course Number**

147

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

THEORETICAL PERSPECTIVES IN SOCIAL ANTHROPOLOGY AND MATERIAL CULTURE

**UCEAP Transcript Title**

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**UCEAP Quarter Units**

6.00

**UCEAP Semester Units**

4.00

**Course Description**

This course engages the past, present, and future of social anthropology and material culture studies. The course examines anthropology's relationship to colonial practices asking whether its methods and concerns encourage complicity with power, or resistant forms of thinking. It explores the conditions for anthropology as an ethical praxis in the light of this earlier history, and looks at past and present contributions from feminism, queer and trans studies, and decolonial approaches. The second half of the course focuses on specific debates and topics, for example: multi-species anthropology, capitalism/neoliberalism, technology and infrastructure studies, the Anthropocene.

**Language(s) of Instruction**

English

**Host Institution Course Number**

ANTH0013

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**Host Institution Course Details**

<https://www.ucl.ac.uk/module-catalogue/modules/theoretical-perspectives-in-soci...>

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

Anthropology

**Course Last Reviewed**

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