COURSE DETAIL

LANGUAGE, PEOPLE AND BOUNDARIES

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)

Linguistics Communication

UCEAP Course Number

134

UCEAP Course Suffix

UCEAP Official Title

LANGUAGE, PEOPLE AND BOUNDARIES

UCEAP Transcript Title

LANG/PEOPLE&BOUNDRY

UCEAP Quarter Units

6.00

UCEAP Semester Units

4.00

Course Description

In this course, students consider what happens when individuals and groups do not fit in with, or challenge, institutionalized notions of language. The course examines three main, overlapping themes. The first theme addresses the boundaries that are traditionally considered to exist between languages, examining the way such boundaries are challenged by the influences of digital technologies, the globalization of communicative practices, and contact between diverse groups. The second theme considers the impact of national boundaries on the representations of languages and their speakers, examining the effects of classifications such as "national", "regional", and "minority" languages, and considering the experiences of speakers of "transnational" languages. The final theme deals with the institutional boundaries that create a mismatch between the way language is used and the way it is expected to be used in certain contexts such as schools.

Language(s) of Instruction

English

Host Institution Course Number

6SSEL023

Host Institution Course Title

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Host Institution Campus

King's College London

Host Institution Faculty

Host Institution Degree

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Education and Professional Studies

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