

## COURSE DETAIL

### CHINA POPULATION AND DEVELOPMENT

**Country**

China

**Host Institution**

Fudan University

**Program(s)**

Fudan University

**UCEAP Course Level**

Upper Division

**UCEAP Subject Area(s)**

Sociology

**UCEAP Course Number**

126

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

CHINA POPULATION AND DEVELOPMENT

**UCEAP Transcript Title**

CHINA POPULATION

**UCEAP Quarter Units**

3.50

**UCEAP Semester Units**

2.30

## **Course Description**

This course presents Chinese population processes, structure, and characteristics. It also sheds light on the inter-correlation between population and socio-economic development, such as labor market performance, social security reform, urbanization, and environmental protection. Recent demographic transition in China is featured with dramatic fertility decline, prolonging life expectancy, decreasing growth rates, and rapid population aging. In addition to the shift in demographic rates, China has also seen accelerating rural-urban migration, increasing divorce rate, shrinking family size, emerging empty-nest elderly, and other population redistributions in the post-reform era. These demographic transitions are incurred by economic reform and social changes to a large extent; meanwhile, they also exert profound and lasting consequences on socio-economic development. The strong ties between population and development bring about a series of questions: how does China transition from a country of tremendous population to a country of profound human capital? Will China experience labor shortage in the near future due to low fertility rate? What's the impact of population aging on social security reform? Do the elderly suffer from insufficient care in the context of shrinking family size and widespread migration? Exploring these questions provides students with a deeper understanding on China population transition and a closer connection to research frontier.

## **Language(s) of Instruction**

English

## **Host Institution Course Number**

SOCI110033

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## **Host Institution Campus**

Fudan University

**Host Institution Faculty**

**Host Institution Degree**

**Host Institution Department**

Sociology

**Course Last Reviewed**

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