COURSE DETAIL

POISONS
Country Hong Kong
Host Institution University of Hong Kong
Program(s) University of Hong Kong
UCEAP Course Level Lower Division
UCEAP Subject Area(s) Biochemistry
UCEAP Course Number 59
UCEAP Course Suffix
UCEAP Official Title POISONS
UCEAP Transcript Title POISONS
UCEAP Quarter Units 5.00
UCEAP Semester Units 3.30

Course Description
The course addresses the concept of poisoning from several perspectives, including the basic principles of posology, which is concerned with dosage and is the foundation of toxicology. The basic concepts of poisoning are illustrated with simple clinical examples such as specific human organ toxicities related to drugs, household poisons, plant and animal sources of poisons, food poisoning and seafood poisoning. In addition, examples of poisoning in Hong Kong are explored from a historical and legal perspective. The psychology of poisoning is explored with examples that highlight precautions needed to ensure safe handling of toxic materials. Finally, the course develops a thread of common metaphors, symbolism and other associations used to describe poisons in cinema, late Victorian and early 20th century detective fiction, and other historical references.

Language(s) of Instruction
English

Host Institution Course Number
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Host Institution Course Details

Host Institution Campus

Host Institution Faculty

Host Institution Degree

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Common Core: Scientific and Technological Literacy

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