

# COURSE DETAIL

## SEMIOTICS OF MEMORY

**Country**

Italy

**Host Institution**

University of Bologna

**Program(s)**

University of Bologna

**UCEAP Course Level**

Upper Division

**UCEAP Subject Area(s)**

Philosophy

**UCEAP Course Number**

170

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

SEMIOTICS OF MEMORY

**UCEAP Transcript Title**

SEMIOTICS OF MEMORY

**UCEAP Quarter Units**

6.00

**UCEAP Semester Units**

4.00

## Course Description

This course is part of the Laurea Magistrale program and is intended for advanced levels students only. Enrollment is by consent of the instructor. The course focuses on the tools necessary to evaluate the main themes and issues related to questions of cultural memory from a semiotic perspective. Memory studies is a relatively young academic field that aims at an interdisciplinary study of collective forms of remembering and of processes of construction, transmission, and communication of the past in contemporary societies and in contexts characterized by an inherent "semiotic complexity". At the same time, memory studies is often in constant dialogue with other disciplines dealing with memory (philosophy, sociology, psychology, semiotics, cognitive science, anthropology, history, archaeology, etc.). The course introduces and critically discusses the current debate in the field of memory studies, considering the main issues and questions from a semiotic perspective. Starting from a critical discussion of the concept of collective memory, the various "discursive arenas" (media discourse, historical discourse, legal discourse, political discourse, artistic discourse...) that shape shared - as well as individual - memories (and consequently collective and individual identities) are highlighted. Part of the course focuses specifically on the processes of construction and transmission of Cultural Heritage, particularly in terms of its semiotic, political, and conflictual character. Special attention is given to notions of dissonant and difficult heritage.

### Language(s) of Instruction

English

### Host Institution Course Number

78904

### Host Institution Course Title

SEMIOTICS OF MEMORY (1) (LM)

### Host Institution Course Details

<https://www.unibo.it/en/study/phd-professional-masters-specialisation-schools-a...>

**Host Institution Campus**

BOLOGNA

**Host Institution Faculty****Host Institution Degree**

LM in SEMIOTICS

**Host Institution Department**

PHILOSOPHY

**Course Last Reviewed**

2023-2024

[Print](#)