

# COURSE DETAIL

## IDENTITIES AND COLLECTIVE BEHAVIOR

**Country**

United Kingdom - Scotland

**Host Institution**

University of Edinburgh

**Program(s)**

University of Edinburgh

**UCEAP Course Level**

Upper Division

**UCEAP Subject Area(s)**

Psychology

**UCEAP Course Number**

102

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

IDENTITIES AND COLLECTIVE BEHAVIOR

**UCEAP Transcript Title**

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**UCEAP Quarter Units**

8.00

**UCEAP Semester Units**

5.30

## Course Description

Drawing from the social identity approach, this course focuses on how theories of intra- and inter-group dynamics help us to understand collective behavior. Specifically, this course explores the cognitive, relational, emotional, and behavioral effects shared social identities can have, and how social identities emerge and develop. A fundamental question is what makes collective behavior possible in a variety of situations, and how examples from recent empirical research on collective behavior can enhance our knowledge of existing identity theories. This course critically reviews the scope and limitations of identity theories through different crowd contexts: mass gatherings, collective action, and responses to mass disasters. It provides students with a strong understanding of key theories in identity research, and the ability to critically evaluate their strengths and weaknesses through recent high-impact empirical research drawing on a range of methodologies.

## Language(s) of Instruction

English

## Host Institution Course Number

PSYL10162

## Host Institution Course Title

IDENTITIES AND COLLECTIVE BEHAVIOR

## Host Institution Campus

Edinburgh

## Host Institution Faculty

## Host Institution Degree

## Host Institution Department

Psychology

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