

COURSE DETAIL

REJECTING MINORITIES: AN INTERDISCIPLINARY PERSPECTIVE ON INTERGROUP RELATIONS

Country

Netherlands

Host Institution

Utrecht University

Program(s)

Utrecht University

UCEAP Course Level

Upper Division

UCEAP Subject Area(s)

Sociology Psychology Ethnic Studies

UCEAP Course Number

111

UCEAP Course Suffix**UCEAP Official Title**

REJECTING MINORITIES: AN INTERDISCIPLINARY PERSPECTIVE ON INTERGROUP RELATIONS

UCEAP Transcript Title

REJECTNG MINORITIES

UCEAP Quarter Units

6.00

UCEAP Semester Units

4.00

Course Description

This course focuses on prejudice, discrimination, and inter-group relations. In particular, the course discusses how the majority group reacts to minority groups in the society. Students discover how prejudices develop and how negative attitudes follow from threats to people's identities or their belongings. Moreover, the course explores the consequences of prejudices for inter group interactions, for which political decisions are made, and from which policies are implemented. A special focus is also on approaches to reduce prejudice and foster the cohesion of majority and minority groups in a society. Given the current political climate in most western society, students primarily study the reactions of majority groups to immigrants and their integration process. Attention is also paid to existing prejudice toward other social groups such as religious or sexual minorities. The course then considers why people develop prejudices and negative attitudes toward other groups from the perspective of different fields in the social sciences. The main focus is on sociological and social psychological explanations. Students consider which research questions can be answered with these theories and which societal problems may be solved.

Language(s) of Instruction

English

Host Institution Course Number

201500044

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Host Institution Campus

Social and Behavioral Sciences

Host Institution Faculty**Host Institution Degree**

Host Institution Department

Interdisciplinary Social Sciences

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