# COURSE DETAIL

| PHILOSOPHY OF RACE |
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| **Country**<br>South Africa |
| **Host Institution**<br>University of Cape Town |
| **Program(s)**<br>University of Cape Town |
| **UCEAP Course Level**<br>Upper Division |
| **UCEAP Subject Area(s)**<br>Philosophy |
| **UCEAP Course Number**<br>120 |
| **UCEAP Course Suffix** |
| **UCEAP Official Title**<br>PHILOSOPHY OF RACE |
| **UCEAP Transcript Title**<br>PHILOSOPHY OF RACE |
| **UCEAP Quarter Units**<br>8.00 |
| **UCEAP Semester Units**<br>5.30 |

**Course Description**

Many of the topics of public debate in contemporary South Africa raise intriguing philosophical questions: Morally speaking, does most of the Western Cape actually belong to the Khoisan? Does being indigenous give one certain moral rights? Has the achievement of legal equality liberated black people, or would true liberation require the rediscovery of a distinctive identity? What special responsibilities (if any) do formerly advantaged groups have today? This course brings the tools of philosophical argument and analysis to bear on such problems, making use of, e.g., contemporary theories of moral ownership rights and the phenomenon of “epistemic injustice". In addition, it traces the intellectual ancestry of ideas such as those of Black Consciousness, critically examining the attempts of theorists such as Hegel, Fanon, Césaire, and Biko to theorize about oppression, identity, empowerment, and the predicament of colonized peoples. DP requirements: Regular attendance at lectures and tutorials; completion of all tests, submission of all essays and assignments by due dates, and an average mark of at least 35% for the coursework. Assessment: Coursework counts 40%; one three-hour examination in October/November counts 60%. Course entry requirements: At least second-year status.

**Language(s) of Instruction**
English

**Host Institution Course Number**
PHI2045S

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**Host Institution Course Details**
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**Host Institution Campus**
University of Cape Town

**Host Institution Faculty**
Humanities

**Host Institution Degree**

**Host Institution Department**
Philosophy

**Course Last Reviewed**
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