COURSE DETAIL

SOCIAL LIFE OF ART
Country Singapore
Host Institution National University of Singapore
Program(s) National University of Singapore
UCEAP Course Level Upper Division
UCEAP Subject Area(s) Sociology
UCEAP Course Number 127
UCEAP Course Suffix
UCEAP Official Title SOCIAL LIFE OF ART
UCEAP Transcript Title SOCIAL LIFE OF ART
UCEAP Quarter Units 6.00
UCEAP Semester Units 4.00

Course Description
This course is an introduction to the anthropology of the arts. In contrast to art history and art criticism, anthropology takes art as fundamentally social. Indeed, art is a slippery category, and, rather than making ontological claims about its status (“what is art?”), anthropologists are more concerned with understanding its geographically and historically contingent meanings. Through a selection of readings and case studies, the course addresses what it means to study the arts anthropologically, and how such an approach might be applied across formal and informal settings, ranging from museums and galleries to everyday social life.

Language(s) of Instruction
English

Host Institution Course Number
SC2225

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Host Institution Campus

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