COURSE DETAIL

PRE-QIN (CLASSICAL) CONFUCIANISM AND LEGALISM
Country China
Host Institution Fudan University
Program(s) Fudan University
UCEAP Course Level Upper Division
UCEAP Subject Area(s) Philosophy Asian Studies
UCEAP Course Number 118
UCEAP Course Suffix
UCEAP Official Title PRE-QIN (CLASSICAL) CONFUCIANISM AND LEGALISM
UCEAP Transcript Title CONFUCIANISM
UCEAP Quarter Units 4.50
UCEAP Semester Units 3.00

Course Description

Is Chinese philosophy incommensurable with Western philosophy, or is there a philosophy in general? There are stereotypes (opinions) about Chinese philosophy, and this course examines the truth of Chinese philosophy in particular and the truth of philosophy in general. This course introduces classical (pre-Qin) Confucianism and Legalism; investigates the problems the pre-Qin Confucian and Legalist philosophers try to answer, what their answers are, whether the answers are coherent within one text and how these answers are related to each other; and examines how these philosophical texts address philosophical problems, that is, problems that transcend a particular people, a particular time, and a particular locale. By comparing these philosophers' answers to those by other philosophers (Chinese or non-Chinese), students see the merits and problems of these answers that are still relevant today.

Language(s) of Instruction
English

Host Institution Course Number
PHIL110031.01,PHIL110049.01,GEEC10352

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