

COURSE DETAIL

LANGUAGE, SOCIETY AND CULTURE

Country

Australia

Host Institution

University of Melbourne

Program(s)

University of Melbourne

UCEAP Course Level

Upper Division

UCEAP Subject Area(s)

Linguistics

UCEAP Course Number

106

UCEAP Course Suffix**UCEAP Official Title**

LANGUAGE, SOCIETY AND CULTURE

UCEAP Transcript Title

LANGUAGE SOC&CULTRE

UCEAP Quarter Units

6.00

UCEAP Semester Units

4.00

Course Description

This course examines how social and cultural factors influence language, and the role language plays in structuring and representing social categories across cultures. It examines how culture and language shape each other, particularly how language represents and enables culture and how cultures influence the form individual languages take. Specific topics include socially determined variation in language styles and registers, language varieties reflecting social class, gender, and ethnic group, factors affecting language choice such as, bi- and multilingualism, as well as the relation between language, culture, and thought, and universalist versus relativist views of language. Students also explore changes in language status over time.

Language(s) of Instruction

English

Host Institution Course Number

LING20010

Host Institution Course Title

LANGUAGE, SOCIETY AND CULTURE

Host Institution Campus

Melbourne

Host Institution Faculty

Host Institution Degree

Host Institution Department

Linguistics

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