COURSE DETAIL

RACE AND RACISM IN THE HISTORIOGRAPHY OF PHILOSOPHY

Country

Germany

Host Institution

Humboldt University Berlin

Program(s)

Humboldt University Berlin

UCEAP Course Level

Upper Division

UCEAP Subject Area(s)

Philosophy History

UCEAP Course Number

126

UCEAP Course Suffix

UCEAP Official Title

RACE AND RACISM IN THE HISTORIOGRAPHY OF PHILOSOPHY

UCEAP Transcript Title

RACE HIST PHIL

UCEAP Quarter Units

4.50

UCEAP Semester Units

3.00

Course Description

According to a dominant historiography, philosophy is a Western endeavor. Its roots are to be found in Europe, more precisely in Ancient Greece, and its most significant developments are due to Western thinkers. In recent years, however, this narrative has been challenged by scholars and criticized from various sides. The narrative, it is argued, has itself a history: it was born at the end of the eighteenth century and came together with a marginalization of non-Western contributions to the origins and developments of the discipline. The process of appropriation of philosophy by Western historians, it is further argued, was not independent of racist prejudices and theories. This seminar is devoted to the recent literature on these topics. It aims to see how issues about race and racism have shaped current historiography of philosophy and explores alternative narratives that have been suggested to change this historiography.

Language(s) of Instruction

English

Host Institution Course Number

51036

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