

COURSE DETAIL

TRANSFORMING AND CREATING WORLDS: ANTHROPOLOGICAL PERSPECTIVES ON TECHNIQUES AND TECHNOLOGY

Country

United Kingdom - England

Host Institution

University College London

Program(s)

University College London

UCEAP Course Level

Upper Division

UCEAP Subject Area(s)

Anthropology

UCEAP Course Number

138

UCEAP Course Suffix**UCEAP Official Title**

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UCEAP Transcript Title

ANTH:TECHNIQUE&TECH

UCEAP Quarter Units

6.00

UCEAP Semester Units

4.00

Course Description

This course provides students with the methodological and theoretical tools to analyze technology as a contemporary phenomenon. The course starts with examining the inherently social nature of techniques as modes of actions. Students then explore how techniques always recruit and/or mobilize, at different scales, bodies, knowledge, imaginations, personhood, politics, or cosmologies to (re)produce ontologies, logics and meta-physics, and to give them concrete forms. From these, using approaches ranging from semiotics, science and technology studies, to actor-network theory, students present methods to critically investigate both technical objects and sociotechnical systems, in order to unveil the situated nature of narratives about the neutrality of progress and efficiency.

Language(s) of Instruction

English

Host Institution Course Number

ANTH0043

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Host Institution Course Details**Host Institution Campus**

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Host Institution Faculty**Host Institution Degree****Host Institution Department**

Anthropology

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