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
TRANSFORMING AND CREATING WORLDS: ANTHROPOLOGICAL PERSPECTIVES ON TECHNIQUES AND TECHNOLOGY

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
University College London

Host Institution Faculty

Host Institution Degree

Host Institution Department
Anthropology

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