

COURSE DETAIL

GLOBAL HISTORY 1500-2000: TRADE, SCIENCE, ENVIRONMENT AND EMPIRE

Country

United Kingdom - England

Host Institution

University of Sussex

Program(s)

University of Sussex

UCEAP Course Level

Upper Division

UCEAP Subject Area(s)

History

UCEAP Course Number

139

UCEAP Course Suffix**UCEAP Official Title**

GLOBAL HISTORY 1500-2000: TRADE, SCIENCE, ENVIRONMENT AND EMPIRE

UCEAP Transcript Title

GLOB HIST 1500-2000

UCEAP Quarter Units

6.00

UCEAP Semester Units

4.00

Course Description

This course introduces students to the field of global history - one of the fastest growing and most dynamic areas of historiography today. Just as we live in an ever more "globalized" world, so have historians become increasingly interested in the ways that past societies interacted with each other on a global basis. There are a number of key themes in global history: the limitations of the nation-state, going beyond Eurocentric perspectives, the spread of capitalism, empire as an enduring form of political organization, and the relationship between the universal and the particular. Nevertheless, Global history is a wide and evolving field that contains differing and contrasting approaches. To what extent is globalization a product of western domination in the post-industrial age? Can we narrate global history through a single person (for example an artist), village, or object, or must we construct grand narratives that encompass the entire world? Is it acceptable for global historians to synthesize the more localized primary research of other historians, or should they consult their own primary sources?

Language(s) of Instruction

English

Host Institution Course Number

V1376

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Host Institution Course Details

Host Institution Campus

University of Sussex

Host Institution Faculty

Host Institution Degree

Host Institution Department

History

Course Last Reviewed

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