

COURSE DETAIL

HISTORY OF THE MODERN WORLD IN 9 THINGS

Country

United Kingdom - Scotland

Host Institution

University of Edinburgh

Program(s)

University of Edinburgh

UCEAP Course Level

Upper Division

UCEAP Subject Area(s)

History

UCEAP Course Number

110

UCEAP Course Suffix**UCEAP Official Title**

HISTORY OF THE MODERN WORLD IN 9 THINGS

UCEAP Transcript Title

HIST OF MOD WORLD

UCEAP Quarter Units

8.00

UCEAP Semester Units

5.30

Course Description

The course introduces methods, topics, and historiography of modern environmental history. Students approach the history of the modern world by focusing on material, ecological, and global histories. Through exploring 9 "things," (mosquitos, cement, wheat, cattle, cod, guano, barbed wire, uranium, computers) students discuss the complex interactions between communities and commodities that frequently shape global connections, remaking both space and time. These "mini-biographies" of different plants, animals and minerals, allow students to consider how humans have relied on nature to construct the economies and infrastructures of the modern era.

Language(s) of Instruction

English

Host Institution Course Number

HIST10440

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Host Institution Campus

Host Institution Faculty

School of History, Classics and Archaeology

Host Institution Degree

Host Institution Department

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