COURSE DETAIL

THE ORIGINS OF INDIVIDUAL DIFFERENCES

Country
United Kingdom - England

Host Institution
King's College London

Program(s)
King's College London

UCEAP Course Level
Upper Division

UCEAP Subject Area(s)
Psychology

UCEAP Course Number
113

UCEAP Course Suffix
N

UCEAP Official Title
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UCEAP Transcript Title
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UCEAP Quarter Units
6.00

UCEAP Semester Units

4.00

Course Description

The course examines the classical distinction between 'nature’ and ‘nurture’, and the status of genetic and environmental explanations of psychological variation. The research techniques covered include twin studies, gene-environment interaction studies, Genome Wide Association Studies (GWAS) and polygenic risk scores. The course also explores the nature of gender differences, including the role of biological sex and culture in the development of gender identity, and sex differences in cognitive abilities and vulnerability to mental health problems and developmental disorders such as autism. Lastly, students explore social and cultural influences on the vulnerability to mental health problems, using developmental psychology, global mental health, and social psychiatry approaches.

Language(s) of Instruction
English

Host Institution Course Number
5PAHPIDP

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Host Institution Course Details

Host Institution Campus
King's College London

Host Institution Faculty

Host Institution Degree

Host Institution Department

Course Last Reviewed

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