

# COURSE DETAIL

## SOCIOLOGY OF THE BODY

**Country**

Ireland

**Host Institution**

University College Dublin

**Program(s)**

Irish Universities, University College Dublin

**UCEAP Course Level**

Upper Division

**UCEAP Subject Area(s)**

Sociology

**UCEAP Course Number**

127

**UCEAP Course Suffix****UCEAP Official Title**

SOCIOLOGY OF THE BODY

**UCEAP Transcript Title**

SOC OF THE BODY

**UCEAP Quarter Units**

4.00

**UCEAP Semester Units**

2.70

## Course Description

This course introduces students to a variety of sociological debates that surround the human body. It explores various theoretical perspectives of how we experience and live in our bodies, including theories by Foucault, Elias, Goffman, Judith Butler and others. It focuses on the roles our bodies are prescribed to, or play in our everyday interactions, and how they are socially constructed. Main topics range from exploring the mind/body relationship, the historical accounts of how attitudes to our bodies have been changing, the politics of the body, including gender and racial inequalities, disabilities, medicalization and commodification of bodies, and also the processes behind sexualization, ageing, and dying.

## Language(s) of Instruction

English

## Host Institution Course Number

SOC30440

## Host Institution Course Title

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## Host Institution Course Details

## Host Institution Campus

UC Dublin

## Host Institution Faculty

## Host Institution Degree

## Host Institution Department

Sociology

## Course Last Reviewed

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