

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

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SOCIOLOGY OF THE BODY

Host Institution Campus

UC Dublin

Host Institution Faculty

Host Institution Degree

Host Institution Department

Sociology

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