COURSE DETAIL

TOPICS IN KOREAN STUDIES: GLOBALIZATION AND MULTICULTURALISM

Country
Korea, South

Host Institution
Yonsei University

Program(s)
Yonsei University Summer

UCEAP Course Level
Upper Division

UCEAP Subject Area(s)
Sociology Communication Asian Studies

UCEAP Course Number
126

UCEAP Course Suffix
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UCEAP Official Title
TOPICS IN KOREAN STUDIES: GLOBALIZATION AND MULTICULTURALISM

UCEAP Transcript Title
KOREAN MULTICULTURE

UCEAP Quarter Units
4.50

UCEAP Semester Units
3.00

Course Description

This course is designed to develop student's understanding of Korean culture and society, focusing on intercultural awareness and communication. In this course, students learn about an ever fast growing and changing Korean society in the era of globalization. This course helps students appreciate the complexity and dynamics involved in Korean cultural contexts, enhance students' self reflection of their own culture in relation to other cultures, and develop a cross-cultural understanding of other societies. As the world is transformed by globalization, Korea too has undergone enormous changes. Today's Korean society, economy, politics, culture, and the values of its people are vastly different from those of two decades ago. This course provides an overview of Korean culture with an emphasis on the major changes and continuities in Korea. We explore particular themes relevant to understanding Korea such as Confucianism, modernization, cyber-culture, in-group relations, indigenous values, nationalism, gender relations, multicultural families, and popular culture in contemporary Korea. Achievement of these goals requires emphasis on both theory and practice. From the outset, the course attempts to balance theory with practical experiences, in class exercises, and illustrative materials designed to increase intercultural awareness of Korean culture and society. Thus, student participation in class discussion and exercises is essential.

The main objective of this course is to prepare students with the knowledge and analytical tools needed to develop balanced views on Korean culture and society. Upon the completion of this course, students are able: to understand and explain values, attitudes, and norms that shape Korean culture; to develop awareness of, analyze, and evaluate their own cultural assumptions and how they relate to other cultures; to compare and contrast Korean culture and their own; to apply creative thinking and problem solving skills to intercultural/international communication; and to conduct research in a topic related to Korean culture and to write a paper based on the research.

Language(s) of Instruction
English

Host Institution Course Number
IEE2073

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Host Institution Course Details

Host Institution Campus
Yonsei International Summer School

Host Institution Faculty

Host Institution Degree

Host Institution Department
Korean Studies

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