COURSE DETAIL

EMOTIONS AND CAPITALISM

Country

Germany

Host Institution Free University of Berlin

Program(s) Free University Berlin

UCEAP Course Level Upper Division

UCEAP Subject Area(s) History

UCEAP Course Number 107

UCEAP Course Suffix

UCEAP Official Title EMOTIONS AND CAPITALISM

UCEAP Transcript Title EMOTIONS&CAPITALISM

UCEAP Quarter Units 4.50

UCEAP Semester Units 3.00

Course Description

No economic system is attributed so much rationality and at the same time so much emotion as capitalism. The critics of capitalism attribute negative feelings to its detractors, such as greed. Its advocates, in contrast, attempt to evoke positive feelings such as happiness and joy among consumers and employees alike. The seminar addresses this area of tension by asking about the fundamental role of emotions in capitalism. The first part of the seminar deals with the historical foundations of capitalism and asks from an economic, academic, and emotional perspective for the importance of feelings in the literature on capitalism. The second part of the seminar focuses on linking the historical perspective to current discussions, and on the basis of capitalism-critical sources, illuminating the question of whether areas of society are shaped by emotional practices that actually or supposedly correspond to the economics of capitalism.

Language(s) of Instruction

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