COURSE DETAIL

EMPIRE, ENVIRONMENT AND DEVELOPMENT
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) Geography Development Studies
UCEAP Course Number 109
UCEAP Course Suffix
UCEAP Official Title EMPIRE, ENVIRONMENT AND DEVELOPMENT
UCEAP Transcript Title EMPIRE/ENVIRON&DEV
UCEAP Quarter Units 6.00
UCEAP Semester Units 4.00

Course Description

This course examines issues of environment and uneven development through the historical geography of empire. The course educates students on: 1) interdisciplinary theoretical approaches to empire in the social sciences and humanities, 2) the study of empire and environment (especially natural resources) within the subfields of political geography, historical geography, development geography, and political ecology, and 3) the complex natures, spatialities, and identities produced in the wake of European empires in Asia, Africa, and the Americas. Specific topics include the spatiality of sovereignty, racialized labor regimes (including slavery, coolies, and peasants), imperial modes of water and forest development, imperial systems of food and agriculture, state responses to disease and disaster, and the contradictory political geographies of settlement, incorporation, exploitation, and decolonization. The course concludes with a reflection on struggles to 'decolonize' imperial knowledge systems, political economies, and social relations in the contemporary era.

Language(s) of Instruction
English

Host Institution Course Number
6SSG3089

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Host Institution Campus
King's College London/ Strand Campus

Host Institution Faculty

Host Institution Degree

Host Institution Department
Social Science and Public Policy

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