

COURSE DETAIL

UNDERSTANDING CITIES

Country

Hong Kong

Host Institution

Chinese University of Hong Kong

Program(s)

Chinese University of Hong Kong

UCEAP Course Level

Lower Division

UCEAP Subject Area(s)

Architecture

UCEAP Course Number

10

UCEAP Course Suffix**UCEAP Official Title**

UNDERSTANDING CITIES

UCEAP Transcript Title

UNDERSTAND CITIES

UCEAP Quarter Units

4.50

UCEAP Semester Units

3.00

Course Description

This course introduces fundamental ways of understanding a city by looking at its architecture and physical environment as sites of collective living, production, exchange and consumption. From the production of art to the collection of rubbish, the course aims to explore the architectural and urban dimensions of cities (from material to cultural and symbolic) through salient topics such as city and war, city and power, city and trade, energy, transportation, housing, and entertainment. Referring to prominent cities in the world including Hong Kong, significant urban themes such as local versus global, memory or envisioning, development and sustainability are explored. Topics include: What is a city for? How do cities work? How are cities made and remade? What role do architects and others play in the design, planning, maintenance and imagining of cities?

Language(s) of Instruction

English

Host Institution Course Number

ARCH1002

Host Institution Course Title

UNDERSTANDING CITIES

Host Institution Campus

Host Institution Faculty

Host Institution Degree

Host Institution Department

Architecture

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