

COURSE DETAIL

LAUGHING MATTERS: COMEDY AND CONTEMPORARY CULTURE

Country

United Kingdom - England

Host Institution

University of London, Queen Mary

Program(s)

University of London, Queen Mary

UCEAP Course Level

Upper Division

UCEAP Subject Area(s)

English Dramatic Arts

UCEAP Course Number

105

UCEAP Course Suffix**UCEAP Official Title**

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UCEAP Transcript Title

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UCEAP Quarter Units

6.00

UCEAP Semester Units

4.00

Course Description

Has contemporary culture taken a funny turn? This course offers you the chance to find out. Students look at the recent proliferation of comic novels and short stories, as well as stand-up comedy, sitcoms, and film, in order to ask questions such as: why is this funny? how is this funny? should we be laughing at this? and what does this type of comedy say about the contemporary moment? You will also study the theory and philosophy of comedy, using this to inform our understanding of what comedy and laughter do, culturally, psychologically, ethically, and politically.

Language(s) of Instruction

English

Host Institution Course Number

ESH6025

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Host Institution Course Details

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Host Institution Campus

Queen Mary University of London

Host Institution Faculty

English and Drama

Host Institution Degree

Host Institution Department

Course Last Reviewed

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