COURSE DETAIL

CITIES AND MODERNITY: URBAN BRITAIN SINCE C.1850

Country

United Kingdom - Scotland

Host Institution

University of Edinburgh

Program(s)

University of Edinburgh

UCEAP Course Level

Upper Division

UCEAP Subject Area(s)

Urban Studies History

UCEAP Course Number

130

UCEAP Course Suffix

UCEAP Official Title

CITIES AND MODERNITY: URBAN BRITAIN SINCE C.1850

UCEAP Transcript Title

CITIES: URB BRITAIN

UCEAP Quarter Units

8.00

UCEAP Semester Units

5.30

Course Description

Understanding the forces and structures that have shaped cities over the last 200 years offers a critical lens on life in modern Britain since c.1850. Cities matter, whether from an economic, social, personal, or global perspective. An urban setting might promise opportunity, excitement, and liberation, but could also represent danger, disarray, and inequality. This course engages with the images and reality of the city, from the Victorian period and into the modern day, to offer a deep understanding of the urban environment. It takes a thematic approach, introducing the work of key writers such as Henri Lefebvre and Michel de Certeau before exploring issues such as power, knowledge, health, danger, sexuality, and emotions through an urban lens. Each week, case studies of a particular city or cities allow students to build up a broad understanding of modern urban Britain.

Language(s) of Instruction

English

Host Institution Course Number

ECSH10102

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Host Institution Campus

Edinburgh

Host Institution Faculty

Host Institution Degree

Host Institution Department

Economic and Social History

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