COURSE DETAIL

THE BLUE HUMANITIES: STUDYING THE SEA

Country

United Kingdom - Scotland

Host Institution

University of Edinburgh

Program(s)

University of Edinburgh

UCEAP Course Level

Upper Division

UCEAP Subject Area(s)

Geography

UCEAP Course Number

100

UCEAP Course Suffix

UCEAP Official Title

THE BLUE HUMANITIES: STUDYING THE SEA

UCEAP Transcript Title

STUDYING THE SEA

UCEAP Quarter Units

8.00

UCEAP Semester Units

5.30

Course Description

This course considers how the planet's seas and oceans forge complex connections between people, between communities, and between the human and non-human. Drawing on a humanities tradition of critical interdisciplinary inquiry, it considers how the arts (literary, cinematic, visual, performing) and the sciences (oceanographic, geophysical, ecological) have variously configured coastal, maritime and marine worlds, and reflected changing kinds of economic, colonial, cultural and environmental concerns. The course requires students to develop critical perspectives on oceanic imaginaries of the past, present and future. Course content is provided through a range of teaching and learning modes, variously: illustrated lectures, small group practical exercises, open air field classes, film screenings and student-led debates. Through completion of coursework assignments based on localised case studies and through active engagement in coastal community life and marine environments proximate to Edinburgh, the course will help foster values of social responsibility and sustainability.

Language(s) of Instruction

English

Host Institution Course Number

GEGR10128

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Host Institution Campus

University of Edinburgh

Host Institution Faculty

Host Institution Degree

Host Institution Department

School of Geosciences

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