

COURSE DETAIL

CITY TRANSFORMED: DECONSTRUCTING MYTHS OF FOOD & CELEBRITY IN BARCELONA

Country

Spain

Host Institution

UC Center, Barcelona (Multi-Site)

Program(s)

Mediterranean Politics, Food and Culture, Sustainable Food Systems in the Mediterranean

UCEAP Course Level

Upper Division

UCEAP Subject Area(s)

Sociology European Studies

UCEAP Course Number

134

UCEAP Course Suffix**UCEAP Official Title**

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UCEAP Transcript Title

FOOD&CELEBRITY:BARC

UCEAP Quarter Units

4.00

UCEAP Semester Units

2.70

Course Description

At the end of the 20th century, the official reinvention of the city for the 1992 Olympic games placed Barcelona on the map for the rest of the world. The dramatic changes in the cityscape post-1992, as well as the clever marketing campaigns, rapidly turned Barcelona into the place to be. In the wave of that international renown, Ferran Adrià's worldwide fame influenced and revolutionized not only the work of many chefs, but also the ways in which we all understand the creative process behind transforming food into cooking and cuisine. The city and industry would never again be the same, but thirty years later and with the UN Sustainable Development Goal 2 on the horizon, Barcelona is now looking at the significant tensions that this transformation involved in terms of gentrification, food insecurity, and social inequalities. This course explores the clash between the celebrated innovation of cuisine that transformed Barcelona and the complex challenges of the resulting 21st century global city, thus deconstructing the myths of food and celebrity.

Language(s) of Instruction

English

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Barcelona

Host Institution Faculty

Host Institution Degree

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