

COURSE DETAIL

CULTURE, IDENTITY AND GLOBALIZATION IN AFRICA

Country

South Africa

Host Institution

University of Cape Town

Program(s)

Explore South Africa, University of Cape Town

UCEAP Course Level

Upper Division

UCEAP Subject Area(s)

African Studies

UCEAP Course Number

158

UCEAP Course Suffix**UCEAP Official Title**

CULTURE, IDENTITY AND GLOBALIZATION IN AFRICA

UCEAP Transcript Title

CULTURE & IDENTITY

UCEAP Quarter Units

8.00

UCEAP Semester Units

5.30

Course Description

In the context of globalization, this course explores Africa's position in the world. It specifically highlights Africa's globalization, focusing on the challenges and opportunities that it presents, particularly on cultures and identities within the continent. How do we think about Africa differently in a world that is increasingly perceived to be converging towards a 'global village,' and is Africa losing its culture and identity in this 'global village'? The course critically examines these questions to highlight the need for rethinking and re-imagining Africa. Students are challenged to develop a new set of strategies and approaches to critically engage with the dominant discourses on Africa. The course also introduces students to new frames of looking at, analyzing, writing, conceptualizing and imagining Africa in a globalizing world. The ideas explored and debates examined are expected to create awareness of the historical, social, political, and post-colonial African context. Assessment: three assignments (10% each), group project (20%), and final exam (50%).

Language(s) of Instruction

English

Host Institution Course Number

AXL2200S

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Host Institution Campus

Humanities

Host Institution Faculty

Host Institution Degree

Host Institution Department

African & Gender Studies, Anthropology & Linguistics

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