

COURSE DETAIL

ECONOMIES OF TECH

Country

Denmark

Host Institution

University of Copenhagen

Program(s)

University of Copenhagen

UCEAP Course Level

Upper Division

UCEAP Subject Area(s)

Sociology Economics Anthropology

UCEAP Course Number

111

UCEAP Course Suffix**UCEAP Official Title**

ECONOMIES OF TECH

UCEAP Transcript Title

ECONOMIES OF TECH

UCEAP Quarter Units

6.00

UCEAP Semester Units

4.00

Course Description

This course begins with a historical perspective on the development of current economic and tech-structures, asking what is actually new. It then examines types of tech economies and forms of valuation, considering topics such as credit (e)valuations, the power of platforms, the producers of technology such as software engineers and users, prediction algorithms, digital money and markets, and surveillance capitalism. Anthropologists and social scientists from adjacent disciplines have the potential to contribute to both academic and public debates regarding economies of technology by engaging both critically and productively with the way that technology is shaping society and making specific assertions about what is "of value." Students develop their own argument about the changing economies of technology during the course using an empirical case and present their own case for feedback at a workshop, before writing the final essay. This course builds knowledge, skills, and competencies to engage with the current developments in tech by building on classical as well as current theoretical perspectives from fields including economic and digital anthropology, sociology, and science and technology studies.

Language(s) of Instruction

English

Host Institution Course Number

AANA18127U

Host Institution Course Title

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Host Institution Course Details

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Host Institution Campus

Host Institution Faculty

Social Sciences

Host Institution Degree

Bachelor

Host Institution Department

Anthropology

Course Last Reviewed

2022-2023

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