

# COURSE DETAIL

## EVOLUTIONARY PSYCHOLOGY

**Country**

Netherlands

**Host Institution**

Maastricht University - Center for European Studies

**Program(s)**

Maastricht Summer

**UCEAP Course Level**

Upper Division

**UCEAP Subject Area(s)**

Psychology

**UCEAP Course Number**

110

**UCEAP Course Suffix****UCEAP Official Title**

EVOLUTIONARY PSYCHOLOGY

**UCEAP Transcript Title**

EVOLUTIONARY PSYCH

**UCEAP Quarter Units**

5.00

**UCEAP Semester Units**

3.30

## Course Description

This course explores the ultimate influences on the human mind and behavior by taking an evolutionary psychological perspective to study (modern) cognition, emotion, motivation, and behavior. The course revisits cognitive, clinical, and social psychology – and topics, however, the type of questions asked to uncover psychological mechanisms and processes is different. Evolutionary psychologists focus on the ‘why’ question, and the adaptive functions of modern-day cognition, emotion, and behavior. Topics range from psychopathology to human mating and sexual conflict, and from parenting and kin selection to aggression. During the discussion of these topics, prominent assumptions – and misunderstandings – about evolutionary psychology are critically assessed.

### Language(s) of Instruction

English

### Host Institution Course Number

EVO2001

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EVOLUTIONARY PSYCHOLOGY

### Host Institution Campus

Maastricht University

### Host Institution Faculty

### Host Institution Degree

### Host Institution Department

Center for European Studies

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