

# COURSE DETAIL

## THE GREAT GAME IN CENTRAL ASIA

**Country**

Germany

**Host Institution**

Humboldt University Berlin

**Program(s)**

Humboldt University Berlin

**UCEAP Course Level**

Upper Division

**UCEAP Subject Area(s)**

Near East Studies History Asian Studies

**UCEAP Course Number**

112

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

THE GREAT GAME IN CENTRAL ASIA

**UCEAP Transcript Title**

GRT GAME: CENT ASIA

**UCEAP Quarter Units**

4.50

**UCEAP Semester Units**

3.00

## Course Description

In the 19th century, the Tibetan Plateau was one of the last so-called "blank spots" on European maps, along with other regions of Central Asia. Due to its strategic position in Central Asia and growing economic interests, developing Tibet became an ambitious goal for many Europeans. The seminar examines in what form and with what motives different interest groups such as missionaries, traders, adventurers, scientists and colonial officials acquired and circulated knowledge about Tibet. Why was certain knowledge considered important? How was the collected knowledge interpreted, used and presented? The aim of the seminar is the methodical introduction of the students to colonial history in Asia and the discussion of the role of the so-called *Great Game* between Great Britain and Russia for supremacy in Central Asia, the effects of which reach into the present.

### Language(s) of Instruction

German

### Host Institution Course Number

53684

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### Host Institution Campus

Humboldt University

### Host Institution Faculty

### Host Institution Degree

### Host Institution Department

Institut für Asien- und Afrikawissenschaften

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