COURSE DETAIL

CHINESE PHILOSOPHY: ETHICS
Country Hong Kong
Host Institution University of Hong Kong
Program(s) University of Hong Kong
UCEAP Course Level Upper Division
UCEAP Subject Area(s) Philosophy
UCEAP Course Number 130
UCEAP Course Suffix
UCEAP Official Title CHINESE PHILOSOPHY: ETHICS
UCEAP Transcript Title CHINESE PHIL:ETHICS
UCEAP Quarter Units 5.00
UCEAP Semester Units 3.30

Course Description
This course explores and critiques personal and social ethical ideals as presented in early Chinese ethical discourse. Major texts to be considered include the Analects, Mèngzi, Xúnzi, Mòzi, Dàodéjing, and Zhuangzi. Central questions discussed include: What is dào (the proper way or path of life), what standards can guide us in following dào, what grounds can we have for confidence that these are the correct standards, what kind of person should we strive to be, what values should take priority in our lives. The course also discusses the relevance of early Chinese ethics to contemporary ethical discourse. Class meetings are a mixture of lecture and discussion. Assessment: Class discussion (20%), three short writing assignments (250–500 words each, 40%), final paper (1500–2000 words, 40%).

Language(s) of Instruction
English

Host Institution Course Number
PHIL2430

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Host Institution Campus

Host Institution Faculty

Host Institution Degree

Host Institution Department
Philosophy

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