COURSE DETAIL

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ANTHROPOLOGY OF INFRASTRUCTURE Country Norway **Host Institution** University of Oslo Program(s) University of Oslo **UCEAP Course Level Upper Division UCEAP Subject Area(s)** Anthropology **UCEAP Course Number** 122 **UCEAP Course Suffix UCEAP Official Title** ANTHROPOLOGY OF INFRASTRUCTURE **UCEAP Transcript Title** ANTH INFRASTRUCTURE **UCEAP Quarter Units** 8.00 **UCEAP Semester Units**

Course Description

This course explores what infrastructure is, what infrastructure does, and what the study of infrastructure can contribute to anthropological knowledge. Topics include: the promise of infrastructure; how infrastructure can broaden our understanding of the political; what happens when infrastructure does not work, remains unfinished, or fails; how infrastructure challenges or supports social inequalities and discriminations; and how alternative infrastructure can be imagined. Drawing on a range of ethnographic case studies, the course advances the capacity to interpret existing materialities and structures, including their failures and unintended consequences; as well provides a solid understanding of some of the key theories and analytical approaches that inform this field of study, and their methodological and ethical implications.

Language(s) of Instruction

English

Host Institution Course Number

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