COURSE DETAIL

BIG DATA SOLUTIONS TO SOCIAL PROBLEMS: THE GOOD, THE BAD AND THE UGLY

Country

Hong Kong

Host Institution

University of Hong Kong

Program(s)

University of Hong Kong

UCEAP Course Level

Lower Division

UCEAP Subject Area(s)

Sociology Computer Science

UCEAP Course Number

66

UCEAP Course Suffix

UCEAP Official Title

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UCEAP Transcript Title

DATA SOLN: SOC PRBL

UCEAP Quarter Units

5.00

UCEAP Semester Units

3.30

Course Description

Do Google and Facebook understand us better than we do ourselves? Are we becoming lab rats every time we go online? Is the impartially designed algorithm for predicting the probability of recidivism truly fair for sentencing individuals? When big data analytics are routinely applied in our daily lives, the ability to audit the adopted algorithms becomes crucial. This course aims to build students' big data literacy through three major areas of focus: (1) Defining what big data is; (2) Providing an overview of existing big data analytical techniques; and (3) Discussing opportunities and challenges of big data analytics in tackling social problems.

Language(s) of Instruction

English

Host Institution Course Number

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