COURSE DETAIL

ENGAGED CITIZENSHIP: MEDIA, PERFORMANCE, AND ACTIVISM
Country Netherlands
Host Institution Utrecht University – University College Utrecht
Program(s) University College Utrecht
UCEAP Course Level Upper Division
UCEAP Subject Area(s) Sociology Political Science Anthropology
UCEAP Course Number 115
UCEAP Course Suffix
UCEAP Official Title ENGAGED CITIZENSHIP: MEDIA, PERFORMANCE, AND ACTIVISM
UCEAP Transcript Title ENGAGED CITIZENSHIP
UCEAP Quarter Units 6.00
UCEAP Semester Units 4.00

Course Description

This course focuses on the performativity of engaged citizenship through an array of practices that includes theoretical discussion and experiential learning, especially through the lens of creative activism and decolonial practice. The first part of the course is acquainted with a historical and theoretical framework in which debates on engaged citizenship will be raised, especially touching on issues regarding rights and democracy (sovereignty and subjectivity, non/territorial and psychological citizenship), Western and non-Western conceptions of citizenship (indigenous movements, migration, decolonial politics) as well as issues of inclusion and exclusion (feminist and queer critique, racial politics, planetary citizenship, civil disobedience). The theoretical part of the course develops activist, relational, and post-national accounts of citizenship. The second half is taught from a media and performance studies lens, centering on decolonial theory and experience-based learning. Students learn how to sketch, plan, and enact “micro-actions” - on and off campus, live or mediated - and thereby probe concepts of engaged citizenship. The practice-based exercises (such as live-action prompts, improvisation, visual projection, culture jamming, and tactical media) are oriented towards a plural, diverse, and open society, earth justice, and planetary citizenship.

Language(s) of Instruction
English

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University College Utrecht

Host Institution Faculty Interdisciplinary
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