

## COURSE DETAIL

### FORBIDDEN ROMANCE IN MODERN TIMES: EAST AND WEST

**Country**

Singapore

**Host Institution**

National University of Singapore

**Program(s)**

National University of Singapore

**UCEAP Course Level**

Lower Division

**UCEAP Subject Area(s)**

Comparative Literature Asian Studies

**UCEAP Course Number**

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

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**UCEAP Transcript Title**

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**UCEAP Quarter Units**

6.00

**UCEAP Semester Units**

4.00

## Course Description

This course explores how forbidden romance —amorous engagement in fiction and reality—became the most volatile form of cultural expression in the modern world of revolution and enlightenment. Drawing on literary masterpieces across China and the West, the course examines how the modern lure of free will and emancipated subjectivity drove Chinese intellectuals, Sinophone writers, and their Western contemporaries to redefine terms of affect, such as love, desire, passion, loyalty, and sacrifice. The course also explores how the moral and political consequences of affect were evoked in such a way as to traverse or fortify consensual boundaries and their literary manifestations.

### Language(s) of Instruction

English

### Host Institution Course Number

GEC1045

### Host Institution Course Title

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### Host Institution Campus

### Host Institution Faculty

### Host Institution Degree

### Host Institution Department

Chinese Studies

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