

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

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Host Institution Campus

Host Institution Faculty

Host Institution Degree

Host Institution Department

Chinese Studies

Course Last Reviewed

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