COURSE DETAIL

SENSE OF AGENCY

Country

Germany

Host Institution Humboldt University Berlin

Program(s) Humboldt University Berlin

UCEAP Course Level Upper Division

UCEAP Subject Area(s) Psychology Biological Sciences

UCEAP Course Number 117

UCEAP Course Suffix

UCEAP Official Title SENSE OF AGENCY

UCEAP Transcript Title SENSE OF AGENCY

UCEAP Quarter Units 4.50

UCEAP Semester Units 3.00

Course Description

The sense of agency, the feeling of control over our voluntary actions and their outcomes, stands as a fundamental aspect of the human experience. It represents the inherent phenomenology accompanying one of the most pivotal capacities possessed by living organisms: the ability to effect change in our environments through purposeful, goal-directed behaviour — the very essence of being an agent. Consequently, it comes as no surprise that cognitive scientists from diverse domains have dedicated substantial efforts towards unraveling the underlying cognitive and neural mechanisms that shape this intriguing phenomenon. In this seminar, (1) we will cover the classic papers that have laid the foundation for sense of agency research in experimental psychology, (2) we will discuss and critically evaluate different models and measures of the sense of agency, (3) we will go over sense of agency research involving multiple agents (joint agency and social agency), (4) and finally, we will discuss sense of agency and AI ("synthetic agency").

Language(s) of Instruction English

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