

COURSE DETAIL

LANGUAGE IN CONTACT ALONG THE DANUBE: THE INTERCULTURAL FRICTIONS AND FLOWS

Country

United Kingdom - England

Host Institution

University College London

Program(s)

University College London

UCEAP Course Level

Upper Division

UCEAP Subject Area(s)

Slavic Studies Linguistics

UCEAP Course Number

148

UCEAP Course Suffix**UCEAP Official Title**

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UCEAP Transcript Title

LANG CONTACT/DANUBE

UCEAP Quarter Units

6.00

UCEAP Semester Units

4.00

Course Description

This course explores this question in the context of the languages and peoples of the Danube region, focusing on German, Hungarian, Romanian, Serbian and Croatian, and Yiddish. These languages belong to two genealogically different groups (Indo-European and Uralic) and one (Yiddish) bears traces of a third group (Semitic); within Indo-European, three different sub-groups are represented (Germanic, Romance, Slavonic). The course uses data from these languages (texts in the original, idioms, proverbs, jokes, etc.) to explore language and cultural contact from both a purely linguistic perspective (language relatedness v. typological features of languages, script v. sounds, areal connections, borrowing of words, idioms, and figures of speech) and a sociolinguistic point of view (intercultural exchange, multilingualism, standardization, purism, and the relation between language and identity). It explores how Danubian languages both converge and differ, how Danubian culture is both intercultural friction and intercultural flow.

Language(s) of Instruction

English

Host Institution Course Number

SEEE0007

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Host Institution Campus

Bloomsbury

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Host Institution Department

School of Slavonic and East European Studies

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