

COURSE DETAIL

BUILDING THE AMERICAN NATION: 1776 - 1896

Country

United Kingdom - England

Host Institution

University of London, Queen Mary

Program(s)

University of London, Queen Mary

UCEAP Course Level

Upper Division

UCEAP Subject Area(s)

History

UCEAP Course Number

111

UCEAP Course Suffix

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UCEAP Official Title

BUILDING THE AMERICAN NATION: 1776 - 1896

UCEAP Transcript Title

AMERICA 1776-1896

UCEAP Quarter Units

6.00

UCEAP Semester Units

4.00

Course Description

This course explores the turbulent development of the United States from its inception in 1776 with the Declaration of Independence through to its ascendance as an industrial and imperial world power in 1896. Students explore the history of this young nation from the writing of the Constitution, through contests over democracy, slavery and the Civil War, to an era of mass immigration and industrial capitalism. Throughout the module our studies will be guided by four themes which were central to the building of an American nation and which continue to divide opinion today: expansion, race, capitalism, and democracy. Students gain an understanding of different approaches to studying American history and demonstrate an ability to marshal historical knowledge to make a convincing case in favor of their own critical interpretation of the past.

Language(s) of Instruction

English

Host Institution Course Number

HST4323

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Host Institution Campus

Mile End

Host Institution Faculty

School of History

Host Institution Degree

Host Institution Department

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