COURSE DETAIL

HISTORY OF CULTURAL EXCHANGES IN THE MODERN AGE
Country Italy
Host Institution University of Bologna
Program(s) University of Bologna
UCEAP Course Level Upper Division
UCEAP Subject Area(s) History
UCEAP Course Number 176
UCEAP Course Suffix
UCEAP Official Title HISTORY OF CULTURAL EXCHANGES IN THE MODERN AGE
UCEAP Transcript Title HIST OF CUL XCHANGE
UCEAP Quarter Units 6.00
UCEAP Semester Units 4.00

Course Description

This course is part of the Laurea Magistrale degree program and is intended for advanced level students. Enrollment is by permission of the instructor. The course focuses on the early modern world, a period of transformation unprecedented in human history, marked by profound and structural instabilities, including those wrought by climate changes. Yet, it was precisely within the chaos of these upheavals—and often as a direct result of them—that a rich mosaic of cultural encounters emerged. This course delves into these encounters, exploring how diverse cultures found ways to interact, influence, and understand each other, yet sometimes also misinterpret or even destroy one another. Such exchanges occurred across a variety of contexts—trade, exploration, warfare, study, slavery, diplomacy—evoking a wide range of reactions from excitement and interest to anxiety, hate, and fear. By examining these interactions, we gain a lens through which to view the premodern world's approach to confronting uncertainties and appreciate how these exchanges reshaped the deep structures of power and society, triggering profound shifts in people's mindsets. This course unfolds in two dynamic segments: foundations of early modern global history and pivotal phenomena of the early modern world. The course provides awareness of the cultural dimension of modern economy and society. Special attention is given to free and forced movements of people in relation to global phenomena such as geographical discoveries, colonialism, and capitalist expansion. This course provides fundamental knowledge of the historical foundations of cultural interactions and conflicts typical of the global age.

Language(s) of Instruction
English

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