COURSE DETAIL

MATERIAL CULTURE AND EVERYDAY LIFE

Country

United Kingdom - England

Host Institution

London School of Economics

Program(s)

London School of Economics

UCEAP Course Level

Upper Division

UCEAP Subject Area(s)

Sociology

UCEAP Course Number

140

UCEAP Course Suffix

UCEAP Official Title

MATERIAL CULTURE AND EVERYDAY LIFE

UCEAP Transcript Title

MATERIAL CULTURE

UCEAP Quarter Units

6.00

UCEAP Semester Units

4.00

Course Description

The course considers how "things" enter into and mediate everyday social relations and practices. Students consider all aspects of the social life of things, from design and production through use, consumption, and everyday practices. This allows them to address a range of long-standing theoretical and political concerns within sociology such as the role of objects and materiality in social life; social organizations of objects and exchange, such as consumer culture; design, technology, and innovation; and the sociopolitical status of "everyday life" itself. At the same time, there is a strong methodological emphasis: not just how do we study objects in everyday life, but how might such studies impact on social research more generally.

Language(s) of Instruction

English

Host Institution Course Number

SO313

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Host Institution Campus

London

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Host Institution Degree

Host Institution Department

Sociology

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