COURSE DETAIL

RECONSTRUCTING BERLIN: ARCHITECTURAL AND URBAN HISTORIES OF THE CITY

Country
Germany

Host Institution
Humboldt University Berlin

Program(s)
Humboldt University Berlin

UCEAP Course Level
Upper Division

UCEAP Subject Area(s)
Urban Studies History German European Studies Art History

UCEAP Course Number
128

UCEAP Course Suffix
N

UCEAP Official Title
RECONSTRUCTING BERLIN: ARCHITECTURAL AND URBAN HISTORIES OF THE CITY

UCEAP Transcript Title
BERLN ARCH/URB HIST

UCEAP Quarter Units
4.50

UCEAP Semester Units
3.00

Course Description

What is at stake in reading, writing, depicting and telling the histories of Berlin’s architectural and urban landscape? How do historical and analytical frameworks shape scholarly understandings of the city? How does the architecture of Berlin shape its history and theory? Conducted as a discussion seminar, this course uses recent architectural and urban histories of 20th century Berlin to explore different ways of narrating the city’s history. Each week, students will approach Berlin’s urbanity through different textual and visual media to discuss the themes and methods—from femininity to migration, politics to privatization—by which they narrate the entanglement of Berlin’s physical and social landscape. Over the course of the semester, students will develop their scholarly reading techniques, and their fluency in the multipolar and manifold circumstances of the city. The premise of the course is that engaging the narrative can lead to ‘changing the narrative,’ thereby opening the door for students to develop an original final project, situating their worldly experience in the past, present and future of Berlin.

Language(s) of Instruction
English

Host Institution Course Number
42600054

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Host Institution Course Details
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Host Institution Campus

Humboldt University
Host Institution Faculty
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Host Institution Department Berlin Perspectives
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