COURSE DETAIL

HUMAN EVOLUTION
Country South Africa
Host Institution University of Cape Town
Program(s) University of Cape Town
UCEAP Course Level Upper Division
UCEAP Subject Area(s) Archaeology
UCEAP Course Number 121
UCEAP Course Suffix
UCEAP Official Title HUMAN EVOLUTION
UCEAP Transcript Title HUMAN EVOLUTION
UCEAP Quarter Units 8.00
UCEAP Semester Units 5.30

Course Description

Examine the record of primate and human evolution, showing how fossil skeletons and artifacts are interpreted in terms of human behavior and evolutionary processes in Human Evolution. Consider genetic and other comparative evidence and answer questions such as: Why did our ancestors evolve in Africa? How did we evolve such large and complex brains? What advantage does bipedalism provide? When do humans begin to make tools? Why is human skin color so variable? What makes humans unique? DP requirements: Attendance at lectures and practicals and completion of assignments. Assessment: Assignments and tests count 50%; one 3-hour examination in October/November counts 50%. A sub-minimum of 40% is required for the examination. Any first-year Science course, or any first-year Humanities course from a related discipline such as Social Anthropology, Historical Studies, or Sociology is required.

Language(s) of Instruction
English

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AGE2011S

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Host Institution Course Details
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Host Institution Campus
University of Cape Town

Host Institution Faculty
Humanities

Host Institution Degree

Host Institution Department
Archaeology

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