

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

Course Last Reviewed

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