COURSE DETAIL

SPECIAL TOPICS IN MEDIA AND CULTURE STUDIES: CAPITAL AND CULTURE

Country Hong Kong

Host Institution University of Hong Kong

Program(s) University of Hong Kong

UCEAP Course Level Upper Division

UCEAP Subject Area(s) Sociology

UCEAP Course Number 134

UCEAP Course Suffix

UCEAP Official Title SPECIAL TOPICS IN MEDIA AND CULTURE STUDIES: CAPITAL AND CULTURE

UCEAP Transcript Title CAPITAL AND CULTURE

UCEAP Quarter Units 5.00

UCEAP Semester Units

Course Description

Did you know that you will benefit in the economy if you know a great deal about the challenges of cultivating pinot noir? You will benefit even more from understanding why this matters. Sociology is, as Pierre Bourdieu once said, a "martial art" that gives you the tools to fight for yourself in an unequal capitalist world. We will also talk about markets and how they shape people like you. Do they shape the way you think and act? Is it possible or perhaps even likely that you would have a different self if you participated in a different market? What are alternative markets like? Can we learn from them? In what ways is our capitalist market culture changing? Will the future workplace be a neoliberal nightmare in which you're an independent contractor directed and controlled by algorithms, or will we instead see a post-work world in which the boring stuff is automated and we can focus on creative and social activities that enrich our private and communal lives? These and other questions will be addressed in this mathfree course on the complex interactions between cultural and economic forces that shape our worlds.

Language(s) of Instruction

English

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