COURSE DETAIL

FOOD, CULTURE, AND IDENTITY

Country
United Kingdom - England

Host Institution
London School of Economics

Program(s)
Summer at London School of Economics

UCEAP Course Level
Lower Division

UCEAP Subject Area(s)
Sociology Anthropology

UCEAP Course Number
40

UCEAP Course Suffix
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UCEAP Official Title
FOOD, CULTURE, AND IDENTITY

UCEAP Transcript Title
FOOD CULTR&IDENTITY

UCEAP Quarter Units
5.50

UCEAP Semester Units

3.70

Course Description

The course explores food as the essential link between nature and culture, examining how food classification, production, cooking, and eating shape cultural identity, social organization, family and gender systems, and religious practices. By studying practices of commensality, students uncover how food reveals ideas about similarity, difference, politics, religion, and social hierarchies. Students also explore contemporary issues such as how food consumption ties to identity, the obesity epidemic, and the environmental challenges of sustainable food production.

Language(s) of Instruction
English

Host Institution Course Number
IR116

Host Institution Course Title
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Host Institution Course Details
https://www.lse.ac.uk/study-at-lse/summer-schools/summer-school/courses/interna...

Host Institution Campus

Host Institution Faculty

Host Institution Degree

Host Institution Department
Anthropology

Course Last Reviewed
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