

COURSE DETAIL

UNDERSTANDING DEVELOPMENT ACROSS THE LIFESPAN

Country

United Kingdom - England

Host Institution

University of London, Royal Holloway

Program(s)

University of London, Royal Holloway

UCEAP Course Level

Upper Division

UCEAP Subject Area(s)

Psychology

UCEAP Course Number

136

UCEAP Course Suffix**UCEAP Official Title**

UNDERSTANDING DEVELOPMENT ACROSS THE LIFESPAN

UCEAP Transcript Title

DEVELOPMNT/LIFESPAN

UCEAP Quarter Units

6.00

UCEAP Semester Units

4.00

Course Description

This course provides an introduction to developmental psychology, which seeks to understand and explain changes in an individual's physical, cognitive, and social capacities across the lifespan. The overarching themes are to describe changes in an individual's observed behaviour over time, and to uncover the processes that underlie these changes. The course begins by introducing the historical and conceptual issues underlying developmental psychology and the research methods used for studying individuals at different ages. It then proceeds to address physical development in the prenatal period, followed by cognitive and social development during infancy. The course then examines change during childhood by introducing major theories of cognitive development and addressing the social contexts of development (parents, peers, and social relationships; morality, altruism, and aggression). The course concludes by addressing the physical, cognitive, and social changes of adulthood and ageing.

Language(s) of Instruction

English

Host Institution Course Number

PS1040

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Host Institution Campus

Host Institution Faculty

Host Institution Degree

Host Institution Department

Psychology

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