

COURSE DETAIL

POLICING AND RACE IN THE UNITED STATES: STRUCTURES, CRITIQUE, AND RESISTANCE

Country

Germany

Host Institution

Free University of Berlin

Program(s)

Free University Berlin

UCEAP Course Level

Upper Division

UCEAP Subject Area(s)

History American Studies

UCEAP Course Number

177

UCEAP Course Suffix

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UCEAP Official Title

POLICING AND RACE IN THE UNITED STATES: STRUCTURES, CRITIQUE, AND RESISTANCE

UCEAP Transcript Title

POLICING & RACE US

UCEAP Quarter Units

4.50

UCEAP Semester Units

3.00

Course Description

This course explores the social, political, and economic structures that constitute what Elizabeth Hinton and DeAnza Cook describe as “the antiblack punitive tradition in America,” as well as the critique and forms of resistance engendered by this tradition. Students engage with historical sources, theoretical analyses, and cultural productions that illuminate the relation between policing and race more broadly—including their imbrication with issues of class and gender—across US history, from slave codes to ICE raids. Students explore the fundamental questions about the historical roots, structural persistence, and systemic character of racialized state violence.

Language(s) of Instruction

English

Host Institution Course Number

32101

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