

COURSE DETAIL

HISTORY OF WESTERN COMICS

Country

Hong Kong

Host Institution

Chinese University of Hong Kong

Program(s)

Chinese University of Hong Kong

UCEAP Course Level

Upper Division

UCEAP Subject Area(s)

Film & Media Studies Art History

UCEAP Course Number

110

UCEAP Course Suffix**UCEAP Official Title**

HISTORY OF WESTERN COMICS

UCEAP Transcript Title

HIST WESTERN COMICS

UCEAP Quarter Units

4.50

UCEAP Semester Units

3.00

Course Description

This course traces the history of comics and graphic novels in Western Europe and North America. Beginning with an introduction presenting the main characteristics of this medium, this course traces its development, from the beginnings of storytelling with images in Antiquity to the latest innovations. Even though they have retained their own characteristics over the last two centuries, Western European and North American comics have also developed in close proximity. Following the development of the press and book industry, as well as other media like cinema, comics and graphic novels have a rich history that can only be understood in their cultural context. This course allows students to understand how this medium has shaped and been shaped by many aspects of the history and cultures of these places.

Language(s) of Instruction

English

Host Institution Course Number

FAAS2116,UGEC2317

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https://rgsntl.rgs.cuhk.edu.hk/aqs_prd_applx/Public/tt_dsp_crse_catalog.aspx

Host Institution Campus

Host Institution Faculty

Host Institution Degree

Host Institution Department

Fine Arts

Course Last Reviewed

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