COURSE DETAIL

THE U.S.-MEXICO BORDERLANDS

Country
United Kingdom - England

Host Institution
King's College London

Program(s)
King's College London

UCEAP Course Level
Upper Division

UCEAP Subject Area(s)
History

UCEAP Course Number
155

UCEAP Course Suffix
N

UCEAP Official Title
THE U.S.-MEXICO BORDERLANDS

UCEAP Transcript Title
US-MEXICO BORDER

UCEAP Quarter Units
6.00

UCEAP Semester Units

4.00

Course Description

This course introduces students to the history of the area surrounding the present-day political boundary between the United States and Mexico. How did this peripheral region, far from the centers of state power, become a place of great interest for those who sought to sustain and resist that power? As the course grapples with that question, students learn to think historically across and about national borders. They begin with the first contacts between Spanish explorers and native peoples and continue through NAFTA, the war on drugs, and the contemporary migration crisis. Students look for common trends in regional history that nation-based surveys and nationalistic media coverage tend to overlook. Simultaneously, they chart the emergence of the border as a political boundary, a social space, and a cultural entity.

Language(s) of Instruction
English

Host Institution Course Number
5AAH1075

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Host Institution Course Details
https://www.kcl.ac.uk/abroad/module-options/the-u.s.-mexico-borderlands

Host Institution Campus

Host Institution Faculty

Host Institution Degree

Host Institution Department
History

Course Last Reviewed
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