

COURSE DETAIL

SOCIOLINGUISTICS

Country

Hong Kong

Host Institution

University of Hong Kong

Program(s)

University of Hong Kong

UCEAP Course Level

Upper Division

UCEAP Subject Area(s)

Linguistics

UCEAP Course Number

114

UCEAP Course Suffix**UCEAP Official Title**

SOCIOLINGUISTICS

UCEAP Transcript Title

SOCIOLINGUISTICS

UCEAP Quarter Units

5.00

UCEAP Semester Units

3.30

Course Description

This course introduces students to the study of the relationship between language and society. The course includes topics like language variation and change, language and gender, multilingualism and language contact, and language policy. Aspects like the distinction between language and dialect are covered next to how language attitudes shape our communicative behavior and the way we perceive speakers. The course has both theoretical and empirical content and includes many case studies and practical exercises from languages and regions around the world. This course is recommended for linguistics majors and is an important asset for anyone who seeks to understand how language affects how we relate to each other in society. Prerequisite: LING1000.

Language(s) of Instruction

English

Host Institution Course Number

LING2056

Host Institution Course Title

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Host Institution Course Details

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Host Institution Campus

Host Institution Faculty

Arts

Host Institution Degree

Host Institution Department

Linguistics

Course Last Reviewed

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