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# UCT GLOBAL ACADEMY

19 June - 14 July 2017



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# GLOBAL ACADEMY OVERVIEW

The University of Cape Town Global Academy 2017 is an inclusive short term programme that offers students from across the globe an exciting opportunity to study important issues in diverse subject areas, to develop an understanding of South African society, and to experience Cape Town in a unique and unforgettable way.

The 2017 Global Academy combines two courses, Afropolitanism and Power and Society, with excursions around the city in order to give students an all-encompassing experience of Cape Town. The courses are specifically designed to present comprehensive insights into South Africa history, politics and culture, as well as discuss major issues facing the country, Africa and the world today.

The field trips and excursions encourage community engagement and promote a lasting impression of the classroom curriculum.





# COURSE OVERVIEW FOR THE UCT GLOBAL ACADEMY



## AFROPOLITINISM



### Course Description

An overview of historical and contemporary contexts in South Africa, offering a timeline of significant events that have shaped South African politics, culture and society. The course connects the past to the present, touching on:

**Slavery** – the human face of Cape slavery, taking a journey into the history of San / Khoi dispossession and slavery at the Cape, as well as intergenerational trauma

**Colonialism** – British and Dutch expansion in the Cape and South Africa

**Apartheid and Resistance** – The history of segregation in South Africa and movements of resistance

**Culture, Heritage and Citizenship** – Exploring African cultural heritage and practices in contemporary South Africa

**Post-apartheid South Africa** – A discussion on issues of transformation, and the global icon and leadership of Nelson Mandela





### **Course Outcomes**

Students will gain an understanding of the way history shapes the character of Cape Town, South Africa and Africa, and gain insight into the contemporary African context. Lectures will give a historical, political, sociological and psychological overview of Afropolitanism.

### **Excursions**

Visits to historical and heritage sites including Robben Island, the Slave Lodge and sites of slavery in Cape Town; District Six Museums; Community Schools and Centres of art and music. Visits also offer opportunity for cultural exchange and building international friendships.







# POWER IN SOCIETY



## **Course Description**

The course will inform students about Power in Society based on contemporary critical social theory and looks into:

- Understanding Power, Difference, Privilege and Oppression
- Relationship of power to issues of gender, race and racism, class and sexuality

Students will examine how the construction of intersecting and often conflicting centres and margins creates differences that significantly impact on people's life opportunities.





Interesting questions the course will include:

- How does a society decide who has power and who does not?
- Who decides how power plays out in society?
- Who has power in contemporary South African society?
- Where did and does this power come from?
- How do humans behave when in positions of power?
- How does the nature of power change?

### **Course Outcomes**

The aim is to assist students in developing awareness of the nature of power in society and the myriad ways they are either complicit in the hegemonic nature of it, or in their oppression by it. Students are encouraged to reflect on ways in which power might be challenged, changed, or overcome.

### **Excursions**

Visits to, local NGOs, Community Schools, historical and heritage sites.







**Programme Dates:** 19 June – 14 July 2017

**Courses & Credits:** 6 USA Credits; 12 ECTS Credits

\*\*credits to be awarded by home institution

**Afropolitanism:** South African History, Politics & Contemporary Culture

**Power In Society:** Understanding, Challenging & Fighting Power in Society

**Programme Fees:** The cost of the programme includes tuition for x2 courses, accommodation with breakfast, programme-sponsored excursions and selected meals, programme transportation in Cape Town.

The programme fee does not include visa/passport fees, airfare, international health and travel insurance, daily lunches and dinners, personal spending money.

**Total Fee:** \$4,750

Includes:

- Registration
- Accommodation
- Academic Programme
- Academic Excursions to Community & Heritage Sights
- Welcome Lunch & Closing Dinner

**Closing Date for Applications:** 21 April 2017

- Group applications are accepted from universities and institutions via their International Office, with a minimum of 8 students per Group. Accompanying Faculty/Administrative staff members can be accommodated per institution.
- Students may apply individually to [Kiki.rakiep@uct.ac.za](mailto:Kiki.rakiep@uct.ac.za) or [stip@uct.ac.za](mailto:stip@uct.ac.za). A non-refundable deposit of US \$2,000 to accompany the application on 21 April 2017. The balance to be paid by 19th May 2017.

\*\* All students are expected to obtain comprehensive health, travel and emergency insurance prior to travel to South Africa. Insurance cover must be for the full duration of the programme. Ensure that you meet the South African visa requirements.



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