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TRASHED: OUR EVERYDAY LIFE WITH TRASH AND WHAT WE DO WITH IT

“TRASHED” FOCUSES ON ANALYZING THE POLITICAL AND CULTURAL DIMENSIONS OF MODERN SOCIETIES THROUGH GARBAGE. THIS COURSE GUIDES STUDENTS TOWARDS A CRITICAL REFLECTION ON THE MODERN URBAN ENVIRONMENT, SOCIAL RELATIONS OF INEQUALITY, GLOBALIZATION, AND PEOPLES’ RELATIONSHIP WITH THE ENVIRONMENT. IT EXAMINES A VARIETY OF ‘NEW GEOGRAPHIES OF WASTE’ IN EUROPE, AFRICA, NORTH, AND LATIN AMERICA, WITH SPECIAL ATTENTION TO BRAZIL, PORTUGAL, ANGOLA, AND THE USA. THROUGH THE ANALYSIS OF DATA FROM VARIOUS SOURCES (MOVIES, ACADEMIC ARTICLES, TESTIMONIALS, VISUAL ART, ETC.) STUDENTS HAVE A CHANCE TO GAIN A BROADER UNDERSTANDING ON THE ROLE OF DISCOURSES AND PRACTICES OF WASTE, SUSTAINABILITY AND THE URBAN ENVIRONMENT, FORMAL AND INFORMAL LABORS OF GARBAGE MANAGEMENT, PROCESSES OF RECYCLING, WASTE-BASED SOCIAL MOVEMENTS AND THE ART OF RUBBISH.

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