

COURSE DETAIL

LAW AND POLITICAL ECONOMY: AN INTRODUCTION

Country

France

Host Institution

Institut d'Etudes Politiques (Sciences Po)

Program(s)

Sciences Po Paris

UCEAP Course Level

Upper Division

UCEAP Subject Area(s)

Political Science Economics

UCEAP Course Number

130

UCEAP Course Suffix

M

UCEAP Official Title

LAW AND POLITICAL ECONOMY: AN INTRODUCTION

UCEAP Transcript Title

LAW &POLITICAL ECON

UCEAP Quarter Units

4.50

UCEAP Semester Units

3.00

Course Description

This seminar presents and discusses the key institutions that govern market economies, seen as political and legal constructs. The focus is on core institutions like private property rights and its alternatives, all sorts of debts, wage labor and its variants or the architecture of individual markets (like those for global commodities or microcredit). A lot of attention is given to State institutions, including indeed the courts and the law, though non-State actors also play a great role in the regulation and maintenance of markets. Their mutual relations are of course of major interest. Every lecture is based on examples drawn from either developed or developing countries, today or in the more or less distant past, accompanied by readings of an article or book chapter.

Language(s) of Instruction

English

Host Institution Course Number

DECO 25A37

Host Institution Course Title

LAW AND POLITICAL ECONOMY: AN INTRODUCTION

Host Institution Course Details

<https://syllabus.sciencespo.fr/fr/?202510%2F286215=>

Host Institution Campus

Host Institution Faculty

Host Institution Degree

Seminar

Host Institution Department

Economics

Course Last Reviewed

2025-2026

[Print](#)