

COURSE DETAIL

GLOBAL CIVIL SOCIETY: INNOVATIVE STRATEGIES FOR ADVOCACY AND SERVICE DELIVERY

Country

Netherlands

Host Institution

Utrecht University

Program(s)

Utrecht University

UCEAP Course Level

Upper Division

UCEAP Subject Area(s)

Political Science International Studies

UCEAP Course Number

130

UCEAP Course Suffix**UCEAP Official Title**

GLOBAL CIVIL SOCIETY: INNOVATIVE STRATEGIES FOR ADVOCACY AND SERVICE DELIVERY

UCEAP Transcript Title

GLOBAL CIVIL SOC

UCEAP Quarter Units

6.00

UCEAP Semester Units

4.00

Course Description

In our globalizing world, Trans National Corporations (TNC's) are a well-known reality. All larger corporations have built a global presence to benefit as much as possible from the most efficient conditions for production and consumption. Governments have built their multilateral agencies on global (UN) and regional (EU, AU, Mercosur, Asean) level to better respond to the new reality of an interconnected world in order to be able to better serve the interests of their citizens. In the last few decades we have seen an emerging trend of global civil society organizations (GCSO's) striving to take their role at the global stage. This works out differently for different types of civil society organizations (CSO's). CSO's which are into political advocacy (Greenpeace, Amnesty International, and Oxfam) are building global networks to hold governments and companies accountable about their policies on ecology, human rights, and poverty reduction. With their global brand they are trying to influence global policies in order to make this world safer and more sustainable. In order to be able to act on the global level, different types of CSO's not only need to deal with organizational issues like building these global networks but they also need to face new issues of legitimacy and accountability. In this course students face these fascinating issues by focusing on crucial cases with Amnesty International, religious organizations, Neighborhood Watch, trade unions, or the GLTB movement. This course helps students understand the shifting role of civil society in the globalization process and the roles of legitimacy and accountability as key issues for civil society's influence. Knowledge of Introduction to Public Administration and Organizational Science is recommended.

Language(s) of Instruction

English

Host Institution Course Number

USG4430

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