

COURSE DETAIL

AUTHORITARIANISM IN INTERNATIONAL POLITICS

Country

Germany

Host Institution

Free University of Berlin

Program(s)

Free University Berlin

UCEAP Course Level

Upper Division

UCEAP Subject Area(s)

Political Science International Studies

UCEAP Course Number

153

UCEAP Course Suffix

M

UCEAP Official Title

AUTHORITARIANISM IN INTERNATIONAL POLITICS

UCEAP Transcript Title

AUTHORITRN INTL POL

UCEAP Quarter Units

4.50

UCEAP Semester Units

3.00

Course Description

This course systematically investigates the differences between autocracies and democracies by working through central theoretical assumptions and empirical findings of International Relations (IR) and comparative autocracy research. It starts by reviewing the unitary state assumption that is foundational for the field of IR and gradually open up our thinking about regime type in world politics. Having identified that especially democracies act differently in world politics, the course attempts to understand what is particular about authoritarian regimes by reading classical and contemporary texts from Comparative Politics. In four different case studies to be chosen in class, students study in detail various authoritarian regime types and their implications for international outcomes (e.g. conflict, human rights). The seminar concludes with a focus on the rise of the radical right and the threats it poses to democracy and international institutions.

Language(s) of Instruction

English

Host Institution Course Number

15132

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AUTHORITARIANISM IN INTERNATIONAL POLITICS

Host Institution Campus

POLITIK- UND SOZIALWISSENSCHAFTEN

Host Institution Faculty

Host Institution Degree

Host Institution Department

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