COURSE DETAIL

SOCIOLOGY OF POLITICAL SCIENCE

Country
United Kingdom - England

Host Institution
King's College London

Program(s)
King's College London

UCEAP Course Level
Upper Division

UCEAP Subject Area(s)
Sociology

UCEAP Course Number
125

UCEAP Course Suffix
N

UCEAP Official Title
SOCIOLOGY OF POLITICAL SCIENCE

UCEAP Transcript Title
SOC OF POL SCIENCE

UCEAP Quarter Units
6.00

UCEAP Semester Units

4.00

Course Description
This course begins from the bottom up. Whereas political science begins with assumptions about human beings as political animals, and economics deals with economic actors – and both perspectives suppose the existence of at least a basic institutional framework – the sociological imagination begins with the human being as a fundamentally social animal. As a result, by beginning with the individual in the simplest of contexts, the course explores fundamental questions about how identities, communities, and institutions emerge, how conflicts arise and are resolved, and about the boundaries of the "rationality" that underpins most social science analysis. It examines political and economic reality as a social experience, bound up with and informing an individual's sense of self. From "self" the course moves to "other," and from the relationship between self and other students examine the contours of power. It then explores capitalism and Marxism, mobilization and anomie, and finally the digital age.

Language(s) of Instruction
English

Host Institution Course Number
4YYR0003

Host Institution Course Title
THE SOCIOLOGY OF POLITICS

Host Institution Course Details
https://www.kcl.ac.uk/abroad/module-options/the-sociology-of-politics-1

Host Institution Campus
King's College London

Host Institution Faculty

Host Institution Degree

Host Institution Department

Social Science & Public Policy

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