

COURSE DETAIL

POLITICAL ECONOMY OF GROWTH AND POVERTY IN THE WORLD

Country

Hong Kong

Host Institution

University of Hong Kong

Program(s)

University of Hong Kong

UCEAP Course Level

Lower Division

UCEAP Subject Area(s)

Economics

UCEAP Course Number

25

UCEAP Course Suffix**UCEAP Official Title**

POLITICAL ECONOMY OF GROWTH AND POVERTY IN THE WORLD

UCEAP Transcript Title

POL ECONOMY/GROWTH

UCEAP Quarter Units

5.00

UCEAP Semester Units

3.30

Course Description

This course studies how poor nations have alleviated poverty through economic growth and why inequality continues to persist in rich nations. The course examines closely how empirical evidence is used to arrive at robust findings of falling inequality globally, but rising inequality within nations. Simple economic ideas on economic growth, international trade and investments are introduced and used to explain why the spread of markets and economic globalization has fostered growth and reduced poverty in many poor nations. Other topics include why some poor nations have failed to grow and remain mired in poverty; why poverty has not been eliminated in rich countries and why inequality has increased in recent decades. The role of human capital investments, technological advances, and political economy factors are introduced and used to investigate the experiences of the rich economies, including Hong Kong.

Language(s) of Instruction

English

Host Institution Course Number

CCGL9025

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Host Institution Campus

Host Institution Faculty

Host Institution Degree

Host Institution Department

Common Core: Global Issues

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