

COURSE DETAIL

COMPARATIVE EUROPEAN ECONOMIC SYSTEMS

Country

Czech Republic

Host Institution

CIEE, Prague

Program(s)

Central European Studies

UCEAP Course Level

Upper Division

UCEAP Subject Area(s)

Economics

UCEAP Course Number

103

UCEAP Course Suffix**UCEAP Official Title**

COMPARATIVE EUROPEAN ECONOMIC SYSTEMS

UCEAP Transcript Title

COMP EUR ECON SYSTM

UCEAP Quarter Units

4.50

UCEAP Semester Units

3.00

Course Description

This course focuses on differences in the functioning of national economies around the world and especially on differences between the national economies of individual EU member states and Central and Eastern European countries. It discusses the influence of culture, geography, abundance, or lack of natural and human resources, and mainly economic institutions and policies on the economic development of those countries. Using Hofstede's dimensions, students explore cultural differences among European countries and discuss practical issues such as the differences in the style of management and differences in consumer preferences. In addition to other theoretical tools employed in the course such as contemporary population theories, natural resource abundance, and production theories, also statistical data are included, serving as supplementary information for the comparison. The course explains common generalizations and classifications of economic and social models (e.g. Atlantic capitalism vs. Rhine capitalism; Sapir's view: Anglo-Saxon model vs. Nordic vs. Continental vs. Mediterranean model) and analyzes the implications of differences between economic and social models used by individual member countries for competitiveness. In addition to helping students understand economies of different countries and their ability to do business, it also helps them gain an insight into European economic institutions and policies. Although the lectures and readings contain extensive empirical evidence and data, the emphasis is on understanding the logic and economics of the analyzed processes.

Language(s) of Instruction

English

Host Institution Course Number

ECON 3003 PRAG

Host Institution Course Title

COMPARATIVE EUROPEAN ECONOMIC SYSTEMS

Host Institution Campus

CIEE Prague

Host Institution Faculty

Host Institution Degree

Host Institution Department

Business, Economics, Management, and Marketing

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