COURSE DETAIL

INTRODUCTION INTO POLITICS: KEY CONCEPTS AND TEXTS

Country

United Kingdom - England

Host Institution

University College London

Program(s)

University College London

UCEAP Course Level

Lower Division

UCEAP Subject Area(s)

Political Science

UCEAP Course Number

20

UCEAP Course Suffix

UCEAP Official Title

INTRODUCTION INTO POLITICS: KEY CONCEPTS AND TEXTS

UCEAP Transcript Title

INTRO INTO POLITICS

UCEAP Quarter Units

6.00

UCEAP Semester Units

4.00

Course Description

On this course students learn some of the basic and most important questions that political thinkers have struggled with over the ages, including: What does it mean to come together in a political community? What is a politics of fear? And what might be a politics of hope? What is the relationship between politics and violence and war? Between politics and morality? How does politics balance the claims of order with the claims of liberty? And how can we use politics to change the world? Through close engagement with core texts that include Aristotle, Machiavelli, Hobbes, Rousseau, Schmitt, Arendt, Havel and Foucault, this course helps students come to understand the key coordinates of political experience and political activity.

Language(s) of Instruction

English

Host Institution Course Number

BASC0041

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Host Institution Campus

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