

COURSE DETAIL

INTRODUCTION TO GLOBALIZATION AND TRANSNATIONAL POLITICS

Country

Netherlands

Host Institution

Leiden University College

Program(s)

Leiden University College

UCEAP Course Level

Upper Division

UCEAP Subject Area(s)

Political Science International Studies

UCEAP Course Number

109

UCEAP Course Suffix**UCEAP Official Title**

INTRODUCTION TO GLOBALIZATION AND TRANSNATIONAL POLITICS

UCEAP Transcript Title

TRANSNATIONAL POL

UCEAP Quarter Units

6.00

UCEAP Semester Units

4.00

Course Description

This course focuses primarily on transnational politics, i.e. political relations involving non-state agents, structures, and processes, such as classes, NGOs, religious actors, diasporas, and social movements. Clearly, globalization has strengthened the transnational dimension of world politics, enabling people, goods, services, ideas, information etc. to cross and, to an extent, transcend boundaries at increasing speed. Yet it is less obvious what the political, social, cultural, economic, and normative implications of this development are and how it should be analyzed. The course begins by sketching the historical background to contemporary transnational politics, specifically the increasing interconnectedness of human societies over the past several hundred years, a trend that is referred to as historical globalization. The course then explores key concepts and ideas as well as the major theoretical approaches to understanding politics beyond the state, including Marxism and feminism. The final section of the course examines key issues in transnational politics, such as human rights, global economic inequality, religious difference and regional integration. Throughout the course, students consider how the transnational dimension of world politics relates to the inter-state dimension, and how globalization affects both of them. This includes examining how different transnational actors engage with the states system, which they variously conceive as a constraint on their activity, an opportunity structure to be exploited or as a relic to transcend.

Language(s) of Instruction

English

Host Institution Course Number

8001WP81Y

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Political Science

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