COURSE DETAIL

LABORATORY OF MODERN POLITICS: FRANCE SINCE THE REVOLUTION OF 1789 TO OUR DAY

Country
France

Host Institution
Institut d'Etudes Politiques (Sciences Po)

Program(s)
Sciences Po Paris

UCEAP Course Level
Upper Division

UCEAP Subject Area(s)
Political Science History

UCEAP Course Number
188

UCEAP Course Suffix
N

UCEAP Official Title
LABORATORY OF MODERN POLITICS: FRANCE SINCE THE REVOLUTION OF 1789 TO OUR DAY

UCEAP Transcript Title
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UCEAP Quarter Units
4.50

UCEAP Semester Units
3.00

Course Description
Since the Revolution of 1789, France can be viewed as a permanent laboratory of modern politics. France had passed through a large variety of political regimes: monarchies (of different types, conservative and liberal), two Bonapartist empires, a dictatorship (“Vichy's regime”), and no less than five Republics. Below the turbulent constitutional history, the political life has always been characterized by a broad spectrum of political tendencies and parties: monarchists, Jacobins, liberals, Bonapartists, republicans, radicals, socialists, anarchists, and communists, neo-liberals, ecologists, and Macronists in more recent times. The Left and the Right should both be considered as divided families with at least two or three different lefts and rights. The purpose of this course is to shed a clearer light into this complex political history. The course stresses the main lines, not the details. It is conceived to provide a fundamental knowledge of the French political history and therefore a better understanding of present issues (for France and also for its environment especially within the European Union). The question of the French colonial Empire is addressed directly but constitutes an important background all through the sessions.

Language(s) of Instruction
English

Host Institution Course Number
DHIS 25A10

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Host Institution Course Details

Host Institution Campus
English Seminar

Host Institution Faculty

Host Institution Degree
Host Institution Department History
Course Last Reviewed

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