COURSE DETAIL

POLITICS, VIOLENCE, AND CRIME

Country

Italy

Host Institution University of Bologna

Program(s) University of Bologna

UCEAP Course Level Upper Division

UCEAP Subject Area(s) Political Science International Studies

UCEAP Course Number 172

UCEAP Course Suffix

UCEAP Official Title POLITICS, VIOLENCE, AND CRIME

UCEAP Transcript Title POL VIOLENCE CRIME

UCEAP Quarter Units 6.00

UCEAP Semester Units 4.00

Course Description

This course is part of the Laurea Magistrale program. The course is intended for advanced level students only. Enrollment is by consent of the instructor. At the end of the course, students are able to: identify and critically analyze the major research traditions and theories in the study of collective violence; distinguish the major forms of collective violence, identifying the causes and dynamics; link theory with empirical analysis on the subject of collective violence. The course examines different types of collective violence, including violence occurring in civil wars, instances of state repression, mafia and gang violence. The course is divided in three sections. The first section explores classic types of "political violence" (such as civil wars, revolutions, and terrorism) looking at their origins and dynamics. The second section deals with violence perpetrated by states (such as repressions and genocides) and violence that occurs within states that does not challenge their existence or regime (such as that perpetrated by organized crime and gangs). The third section looks at the organizations that "produce" violence, and namely at insurgent and mafia groups, discussing their emergence, their internal functioning, their relations with violence, and their demise.

Language(s) of Instruction

English

Host Institution Course Number 91295

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