

# COURSE DETAIL

## EVALUATION OF PUBLIC POLICIES

**Country**

France

**Host Institution**

Institut d'Etudes Politiques (Sciences Po)

**Program(s)**

Sciences Po Paris

**UCEAP Course Level**

Upper Division

**UCEAP Subject Area(s)**

Economics

**UCEAP Course Number**

158

**UCEAP Course Suffix**

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**UCEAP Official Title**

EVALUATION OF PUBLIC POLICIES

**UCEAP Transcript Title**

EVAL PUBLIC POLICY

**UCEAP Quarter Units**

4.50

**UCEAP Semester Units**

3.00

### **Course Description**

The main goal of this course is to provide a detailed understanding of impact evaluation methods, with a focus on randomized evaluations. Many of the topics covered, such as measuring outcomes and dealing with threats to the validity of an impact evaluation, are relevant for different impact evaluation methods. The main topics that are addressed include: when is a rigorous evaluation of social impact needed; the common pitfalls of evaluations and how does randomization helps; the key components of a good randomized evaluation design; how to determine the appropriate sample size, how to measure outcomes, and how to manage data; the main difficulties when dealing with practitioners; the main difficulties when analyzing the results; how to make results useful for policy makers. The course presents material through interactive lectures and case studies using examples from completed or ongoing impact evaluations in education/development economics.

### **Language(s) of Instruction**

English

### **Host Institution Course Number**

DECO 25A20

### **Host Institution Course Title**

EVALUATION OF PUBLIC POLICIES

### **Host Institution Campus**

English Seminar

### **Host Institution Faculty**

### **Host Institution Degree**

### **Host Institution Department**

Economics

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