COURSE DETAIL

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BREXIT IN PERSPECTIVE Country Denmark **Host Institution** University of Copenhagen Program(s) University of Copenhagen **UCEAP Course Level Upper Division UCEAP Subject Area(s)** Political Science **UCEAP Course Number** 115 **UCEAP Course Suffix UCEAP Official Title** BREXIT IN PERSPECTIVE **UCEAP Transcript Title BREXIT UCEAP Quarter Units** 8.00 **UCEAP Semester Units**

Course Description

This course, while recognizing that the UK's decision to leave the European Union (Brexit) is a topic of great interest, considers the broader significance of Brexit. In particular, the course considers what Brexit (as both an event and a deeper process) tells us about a range of political phenomena. The course is structured in a way that allows students to familiarize themselves with the background to Brexit, the politics of the 2016 referendum and the subsequent Article 50 negotiations. But it also requires students to ask deep questions about this extraordinary period in UK and EU politics, connecting the discussion of Brexit to a series of key political science concerns. Weekly readings combine the analysis and discussion of Brexit with at least one text that offers a broader perspective on the topic under discussion. The course should appeal to students with an interest in British and European politics, the politics of contemporary populism, the politics of crisis and (European disintegration), international negotiation, and challenges to the post-war political economic order. The course also reflects on how political and social scientists should go about studying a phenomenon like Brexit and the extent to which it is possible to generate generalizable conjectures from what might be seen as a highly peculiar and extremely contingent case. The course considers Brexit as a multi-faceted phenomenon that is potentially about more than the questions of whether, when, and how the UK should leave the EU. Resolution of the UK's membership one way or another does not resolve the deeper issues that have been unleashed by the Brexit process since 2016.

Language(s) of Instruction

English

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Social Sciences

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