COURSE DETAIL

THE POLITICS OF HUMANITARIAN INTERVENTIONS

Country
United Kingdom - England

Host Institution
London School of Economics

Program(s)
Summer at London School of Economics

UCEAP Course Level
Upper Division

UCEAP Subject Area(s)
Political Science International Studies

UCEAP Course Number
113

UCEAP Course Suffix
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UCEAP Official Title
THE POLITICS OF HUMANITARIAN INTERVENTIONS

UCEAP Transcript Title
HUMANITARIAN INTERV

UCEAP Quarter Units
5.50

UCEAP Semester Units

3.70

Course Description
This interdisciplinary course looks at international, national, and local humanitarian responses to conflict and natural disasters. Building on an analysis of the causes, construction, and consequences of humanitarian disasters, students consider the principles and the politics of humanitarian action, and explore the overlaps and tensions between practices of humanitarian assistance and humanitarian intervention and how humanitarian institutions shape and are shaped by global governance and state power. The course considers why humanitarian organizations and governments respond to some crises and not to others as well as the critique of humanitarian assistance and the ways in which the UN and Non-Governmental Organizations (NGO)/Private Voluntary Organisztions (PVO) communities have sought to professionalize their activities. The course analyzes the ways in which humanitarianism relates to ideas about human rights and justice, state interests, and the politics of global governance and security.

Language(s) of Instruction
English

Host Institution Course Number
IR215

Host Institution Course Title
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Host Institution Course Details

Host Institution Campus
LSE

Host Institution Faculty

Host Institution Degree

Host Institution Department

Department of International Development
Course Last Reviewed

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