

# COURSE DETAIL

## POST-WAR BRITISH POLITICS: CHURCHILL TO JOHNSON

**Country**

United Kingdom - England

**Host Institution**

University College London

**Program(s)**

Summer at University College London

**UCEAP Course Level**

Upper Division

**UCEAP Subject Area(s)**

Political Science History

**UCEAP Course Number**

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**UCEAP Course Suffix**

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**UCEAP Official Title**

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**UCEAP Transcript Title**

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**UCEAP Quarter Units**

6.00

**UCEAP Semester Units**

4.00

### **Course Description**

Bringing together political science and history, this course examines British politics since 1945. The course is not just narrowly about politicians and political intrigue, though: it's about ideas and ideologies, social change, and political communication. It starts by examining the structure and institutions of British political life. Students examine the construction of the welfare state and postwar social democratic settlement, before looking at the big turning point in the 1970s as politics shifted towards a "neoliberal" governing paradigm. Students consider how the Second World War, social change, the end of empire, and the development of Europe transformed politics in the postwar period. They also think about the practice of politics, the role of ideas and idea-producers like think-tanks, campaigning, and the media. There is a strong focus on linking history and contemporary politics, and students hear from people in the thick of current politics as well as visiting key sites in Westminster and Whitehall.

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

English

### **Host Institution Course Number**

ISSU0040

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### **Host Institution Campus**

Bloomsbury

### **Host Institution Faculty**

Faculty of Social & Historical Sciences

### **Host Institution Degree**

Bachelors

### **Host Institution Department**

History

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