COURSE DETAIL

PUBLIC CHOICE AND POLITICS
Country United Kingdom - England
Host Institution London School of Economics
Program(s) London School of Economics
UCEAP Course Level Upper Division
UCEAP Subject Area(s) Political Science
UCEAP Course Number 152
UCEAP Course Suffix Y
UCEAP Official Title PUBLIC CHOICE AND POLITICS
UCEAP Transcript Title PUBLIC CHOICE & POL
UCEAP Quarter Units 12.00
UCEAP Semester Units

8.00

Course Description

This course is concerned with positive political economy and public choice theory applied to the study of political conflicts, democratic institutions, and public policy. The course covers the main tools for the study of public choice (rational decision-making theory, game theory, social choice theory) and a number of both theoretical and applied topics, including the empirical study of institutions. This course covers the main topics in positive political economy and institutional public choice. These include the aggregation of preferences; voting paradoxes and cycles; electoral competition and voting behavior; the problems of and solutions to collective action; welfare state and redistribution; the impact of information and mass media on voting behavior and public policy; the theory of coalitions, the behavior of committees and legislatures including agenda-setting and veto-player power; principal-agent problems in politics; models of bureaucracy.

Language(s) of Instruction
English

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GV225

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Host Institution Campus
London School of Economics

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Host Institution Degree

Host Institution Department
Politics

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