# **COURSE DETAIL**

# THE STATE, INSTITUTIONS, AND POLICY: A POLITICAL SOCIOLOGY APPROACH

#### **Country**

United Kingdom - Scotland

#### **Host Institution**

University of Glasgow

## Program(s)

University of Glasgow

#### **UCEAP Course Level**

**Upper Division** 

## **UCEAP Subject Area(s)**

Sociology

#### **UCEAP Course Number**

109

#### **UCEAP Course Suffix**

#### **UCEAP Official Title**

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## **UCEAP Transcript Title**

STATE/INSTIT/POLICY

#### **UCEAP Quarter Units**

8.00

#### **UCEAP Semester Units**

#### **Course Description**

This course places a sociological understanding of policy within its appropriate ideological context. As such the course examines the role of the state, with a particular focus on its relationship to capital. This approach inevitably requires engagement with both theories of power and with the practical wielding of power. Using power relations as the lens, students then look critically at what state institutions have been constructed and to what ends. This involves an examination of institutions and policies by using key case studies of broad policy areas, that of the welfare state, migration, climate change, and devolution. By applying theoretical approaches to practical case studies the course crosses the boundary that often exists between theorizing the policy process and real world examples. By ensuring that both are placed within broader ideological frameworks the course provides students with a more thorough understanding of the sociopolitical world around them.

#### Language(s) of Instruction

English

#### **Host Institution Course Number**

SOCIO4118

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## **Host Institution Campus**

University of Glasgow

# **Host Institution Faculty**

# **Host Institution Degree**

# **Host Institution Department**

School of Social and Political Sciences

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