COURSE DETAIL

CRITICAL WAR STUDIES
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 117
UCEAP Course Suffix
UCEAP Official Title CRITICAL WAR STUDIES
UCEAP Transcript Title CRITICL WAR STUDIES
UCEAP Quarter Units 6.00
UCEAP Semester Units 4.00

Course Description

This course engages the points of contention around the theorization and conceptualization of war as these arise from the debates and conversations between differing perspectives and schools of thought in IR, political studies, and the social sciences, including a specific emphasis on critical approaches. The course questions whether war has fundamentally changed in late modernity, or if it reveals a transhistorical continuity in its core nature, or, if people can identify a common logic in its aims, motivations, methods, practices and effects. Secondly, the course explores the transformative impact and effects of war. In this, it frames war as disruptive of certainties, highlighting the way it regularly undermines expectations, strategies and theories, and along with them, the credibility of those in public life and the academy presumed to speak with authority about it.

Language(s) of Instruction
English

Host Institution Course Number
IR378

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Host Institution Course Details
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Host Institution Campus

Host Institution Faculty

Host Institution Degree

Host Institution Department
International Relations

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