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

Host Institution Course Title

CRITICAL WAR STUDIES

Host Institution Campus

Host Institution Faculty

Host Institution Degree

Host Institution Department

International Relations

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