

COURSE DETAIL

PUBLIC OPINION AND POLITICAL BEHAVIOR

Country

Korea, South

Host Institution

Yonsei University

Program(s)

Yonsei University

UCEAP Course Level

Upper Division

UCEAP Subject Area(s)

Political Science

UCEAP Course Number

138

UCEAP Course Suffix**UCEAP Official Title**

PUBLIC OPINION AND POLITICAL BEHAVIOR

UCEAP Transcript Title

POLITICAL BEHAVIOR

UCEAP Quarter Units

4.50

UCEAP Semester Units

3.00

Course Description

This course provides an overview of the nature of public opinion and mass political behaviors in democracies. In the first part of this course, we examine fundamental questions in public opinion research, including how to measure and interpret public opinion and how people's beliefs and opinions formulate and change over time. Next, we study patterns of mass political behavior, ranging from voter turnout and vote choice to social movements. The final part of the course introduces recent academic debates about how media and political elites influence public opinion, and in turn, mass political behaviors and democratic accountability. While most readings draw on American politics, we will also learn about cross-national differences and similarities in public opinion and citizen behaviors. The primary goal of this course is to help students explain public opinion and its connection to political outcomes using academic concepts and theories and develop critical thinking and analytical skills.

Language(s) of Instruction

English

Host Institution Course Number

POL3853

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Host Institution Course Details

Host Institution Campus

Host Institution Faculty

Host Institution Degree

Host Institution Department

Political Science

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