

COURSE DETAIL

THE POLITICAL THEORY OF FINANCE

Country

United Kingdom - England

Host Institution

King's College London

Program(s)

King's College London

UCEAP Course Level

Upper Division

UCEAP Subject Area(s)

Political Science Economics

UCEAP Course Number

111

UCEAP Course Suffix**UCEAP Official Title**

THE POLITICAL THEORY OF FINANCE

UCEAP Transcript Title

POLIT THRY FINANCE

UCEAP Quarter Units

6.00

UCEAP Semester Units

4.00

Course Description

The course examines the political theory of finance, which investigates the broad normative and theoretical questions provoked by financial markets, institutions, and crises in contemporary societies. Large-scale financial intermediaries and global financial markets are reshaping capitalism, and these transformations raise fundamental issues of efficiency, fairness, inclusion, and democratic accountability in the design and functioning of finance. Topics include historical debates about usury and speculation, the contemporary philosophy of money and debt, the right to credit and to default, discrimination and credit ratings, systemic risk and collective responsibility, the challenges finance and central banking pose to democracy, and the potential for radical alternatives, ranging from cryptocurrencies to public finance.

Language(s) of Instruction

English

Host Institution Course Number

5SSPP252

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<https://www.kcl.ac.uk/abroad/module-options/the-political-theory-of-finance>

Host Institution Campus

Strand Campus

Host Institution Faculty

Host Institution Degree

bachelors

Host Institution Department

Political Economy

Course Last Reviewed

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