COURSE DETAIL

THE FRENCH ECONOMY AND THE STATE

Country

France

Host Institution

University of Bordeaux

Program(s)

University of Bordeaux

UCEAP Course Level

Upper Division

UCEAP Subject Area(s)

Political Science Economics

UCEAP Course Number

151

UCEAP Course Suffix

UCEAP Official Title

THE FRENCH ECONOMY AND THE STATE

UCEAP Transcript Title

FRENCH ECON & STATE

UCEAP Quarter Units

3.50

UCEAP Semester Units

2.30

Course Description

The role of the state has returned as a major issue in today's political debate. It has been at the top of political economists' agenda for over a generation. This course clarifies a number of key facts on the place and functions of the modern state in developed countries taking France as an case-study. It adopts a historical and thematic approach tracing the successive developments of the French state over the last 200 years in order to highlight the logic of today's functions and actions and their determinants and objectives. The lectures weave together major insights from political philosophy, economics, and sociology. The following topics are covered: the modern state in theory and practice; the French status in international perspective; Colbertism, the Ancien regime, and the Revolution; the liberal state; free trade and protectionism; the balance sheet of colonialism; the economy of war; the managed economy; the rise of bureaucracy; the provident state and industrial policy; from capitalism to socialism; European integration.

Language(s) of Instruction

English

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