COURSE DETAIL

THE BIG PICTURE: HOW GEOGRAPHY, TRADE, AND POLITICS SHAPE OUR TROUBLED WORLD

Country
Taiwan

Host Institution
National Taiwan University

Program(s)
National Taiwan University

UCEAP Course Level
Lower Division

UCEAP Subject Area(s)
International Studies

UCEAP Course Number
20

UCEAP Course Suffix

UCEAP Official Title
THE BIG PICTURE: HOW GEOGRAPHY, TRADE, AND POLITICS SHAPE OUR TROUBLED WORLD

UCEAP Transcript Title
BIG PICTURE POLS

UCEAP Quarter Units
4.50

UCEAP Semester Units
3.00

Course Description

Our increasingly globalized world presents us with advantages and disadvantages, with both opportunities and challenges, and therefore also with paradoxes. The annually updated, UN-sponsored Millennium Project identifies 15 challenges our world faces: climate change; insufficient clean water; population growth; authoritarian regimes; lack of global foresight; sharing the benefits and reducing the threats of new information and communications technologies; the widening gap between rich and poor; new and reemerging diseases; educational deficiencies; ethnic conflicts, terrorism, and the threat of weapons of mass destruction; the unequal status of women; transnational crime networks; growing energy demands; the need for accelerated scientific and technological breakthroughs; and incorporating ethics into global decisions. This course navigate all these challenges through the lenses of geography, politics, and trade. This course only introduces theoretical perspectives on how these challenges can be analyzed and addressed, but also contextualize them in real-world cases. The ultimate goal is to make students able to think independently and formulate their own views on critical world affairs.

Language(s) of Instruction
English

Host Institution Course Number
LibEdu1090

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Host Institution Course Details
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Host Institution Campus
Host Institution Faculty
Host Institution Degree
Host Institution Department Program in Taiwan Studies
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