COURSE DETAIL

EUROPEAN POLITICS

Country

Ireland

Host Institution

University of Galway

Program(s)

University of Galway

UCEAP Course Level

Upper Division

UCEAP Subject Area(s)

Political Science European Studies

UCEAP Course Number

156

UCEAP Course Suffix

UCEAP Official Title

EUROPEAN POLITICS

UCEAP Transcript Title

EUROPEAN POLITICS

UCEAP Quarter Units

5.00

UCEAP Semester Units

3.30

Course Description

This course explores European politics through a comparative perspective. It addresses the strategic developments of the last decade and beyond, starting with the end of the Cold War in the early 1990s, and the new security frameworks emerging today. The course also focuses on European nationalism, examining this issue in the context of Spain and the collapse of Yugoslavia. This is followed by analysis of the wider significance of German re-unification. Students use a regional framework of analysis to examine the Nordic democracies, the Mediterranean states, the newly established and struggling democracies of central Europe, and the smaller European democracies such as the Netherlands, Switzerland, Belgium, and Austria. Additionally, the class examines European electoral behavior, Europe's various distinctive styles of governance, and the rise of political extremist movements across Europe in the last few years.

Language(s) of Instruction

English

Host Institution Course Number

SP2122

Host Institution Course Title

EUROPEAN POLITICS

Host Institution Campus

University of Galway

Host Institution Faculty

School of Political Science and Sociology

Host Institution Degree

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