

COURSE DETAIL

DEMOCRATIC CHALLENGES AND INNOVATIONS

Country

United Kingdom - England

Host Institution

University College London

Program(s)

University College London

UCEAP Course Level

Upper Division

UCEAP Subject Area(s)

Political Science

UCEAP Course Number

118

UCEAP Course Suffix**UCEAP Official Title**

DEMOCRATIC CHALLENGES AND INNOVATIONS

UCEAP Transcript Title

DEMOCRATC CHALLENGE

UCEAP Quarter Units

6.00

UCEAP Semester Units

4.00

Course Description

This course helps students engage with current debates around the perceived failures of contemporary democratic systems and the reforms that are sometimes proposed to address those failures. It focuses on problems and reform proposals in "established" democracies rather than in new or fragile democracies – though many of the discussions may well be relevant to the latter as well. It is divided into two parts: the first focuses on some of the major (alleged) challenges facing contemporary democracies; the second turns to a range of the (proposed) solutions to these challenges. The approach taken is comparative throughout: students are encouraged to engage critically with the many arguments and counterarguments that are made through both theoretical reflection and engagement with empirical evidence from across the democratic world.

Language(s) of Instruction

English

Host Institution Course Number

POLS0037

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Political Science and International Relations

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