

COURSE DETAIL

POWER AND POWERLESSNESS: A HISTORY OF CZECHOSLOVAKIA, 1918-1993

Country

Czech Republic

Host Institution

Charles University

Program(s)

Central European Studies

UCEAP Course Level

Upper Division

UCEAP Subject Area(s)

History

UCEAP Course Number

155

UCEAP Course Suffix**UCEAP Official Title**

POWER AND POWERLESSNESS: A HISTORY OF CZECHOSLOVAKIA, 1918-1993

UCEAP Transcript Title

CZECHOSLOVAKIA HIST

UCEAP Quarter Units

4.50

UCEAP Semester Units

3.00

Course Description

This course approaches Czechoslovak history both chronologically and thematically, tracing some of the most important current directions in modern European historiography. The course combines social, cultural, and political approaches to examine the limits of understanding history as a purely top-down process. Students review significant recent scholarship from the Czech and Slovak Republics and elsewhere, including literature, film, photography, and official documents. The course discusses topics including the chronological approach to studying history, using conventional periodization to analyze Czechoslovak history, whether the European continent was characterized by a Cold War divide and how Czechoslovakia might shed light on this, debates surrounding the use of a totalitarian paradigm, and the actors and drivers of historical change.

Language(s) of Instruction

English

Host Institution Course Number

CUFA HIST 335

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Host Institution Campus

Faculty of Arts

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