

COURSE DETAIL

NATIONS AND NATIONALISM

Country

Netherlands

Host Institution

Leiden University College

Program(s)

Leiden University College

UCEAP Course Level

Upper Division

UCEAP Subject Area(s)

Political Science International Studies

UCEAP Course Number

135

UCEAP Course Suffix**UCEAP Official Title**

NATIONS AND NATIONALISM

UCEAP Transcript Title

NATNS & NATNIONALISM

UCEAP Quarter Units

6.00

UCEAP Semester Units

4.00

Course Description

The course provides an in-depth specialization in various theories of nationalism and the application of these theories to various cases in international politics. In addition to providing a detailed understanding of rival perspectives and the issues that divide them, it poses the question of whether it is possible to go beyond nationalism. Students are expected to critically reflect on the theoretical implications of studying nationalism in contemporary international politics. The course is divided into three parts. PART I demonstrates why (or why not) “nationality” matters. This part focuses on the debate between communitarians and liberals in political philosophy. PART II is designed to answer the question, “what is a nation?” Is nation a nation, a state, an ethnic group or anything else? This part gives students a basic knowledge of the range and importance of nationalism theories. PART III interprets and analyzes some of key issues related to nations and nationalism in international politics. The concluding seminar asks whether it is possible to go beyond nationalism in international politics. Each student works on their own case study in their final research paper and has the opportunity to put theory into practice. Prerequisite for this course is an introductory political science or international studies course.

Language(s) of Instruction

English

Host Institution Course Number

8002WP52Y

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NATIONS AND NATIONALISM

Host Institution Campus

Leiden University College, The Hague

Host Institution Faculty

Host Institution Degree

Host Institution Department

World Politics

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