COURSE DETAIL

UNITED STATES FOREIGN POLICY

Country
Korea, South

Host Institution
Yonsei University

Program(s)
Seoul Summer,Yonsei University Summer

UCEAP Course Level
Upper Division

UCEAP Subject Area(s)
Political Science International Studies

UCEAP Course Number
106

UCEAP Course Suffix
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UCEAP Official Title
UNITED STATES FOREIGN POLICY

UCEAP Transcript Title
US FOREIGN POLICY

UCEAP Quarter Units
4.50

UCEAP Semester Units

3.00

Course Description
This course takes a genealogical approach to the study of US foreign policy. It explores US foreign policy from the time of the initial settlement of white Europeans in the North American continent to the most recent decades of a seemingly endless ‘war on terror.' Rather than offer one definitive story of US foreign policy, the course examines multiple interpretations, each of them underlain by differential levels of power. This course regards the white, masculinist, nation-building narrative of US foreign policy as the dominant or mainstream version of a contested reality, and seeks to counterpoise other perspectives to understand the mainstream narrative as well as to suggest other ways of being in the US and the world. Topics include the imbrication between US foreign policy and domestic issues (e.g., the settling of the west, wars against the Indians, slavery, non-white immigration); US encounters in WWII, Korea, and Vietnam; the Bretton Woods system; the heyday of US hegemony; the war on terror; and US foreign policy in the era of the unmanned aerial vehicle (drone). Assessment: attendance and participation (10%), midterm exam (45%), final exam (45%).

Language(s) of Instruction
English

Host Institution Course Number
POL3828

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Host Institution Course Details

Host Institution Campus
Yonsei International Summer School

Host Institution Faculty

Host Institution Degree

Host Institution Department
Social ScienceS

Course Last Reviewed

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