

COURSE DETAIL

DEMOCRACY AND ITS CRITICS

Country

Hong Kong

Host Institution

University of Hong Kong

Program(s)

University of Hong Kong

UCEAP Course Level

Upper Division

UCEAP Subject Area(s)

Political Science

UCEAP Course Number

110

UCEAP Course Suffix**UCEAP Official Title**

DEMOCRACY AND ITS CRITICS

UCEAP Transcript Title

DEMOCRACY & CRITICS

UCEAP Quarter Units

5.00

UCEAP Semester Units

3.30

Course Description

This course studies basic issues concerning the nature, justification, limits, and problems of democracy. Topics include the meaning of democracy; democracy, political equality, and majority rule; justification of political equality and the challenge of elitism or guardianship; judicial review as it protects or undermines democracy; classic Athenian democracy; modern representative democracy; participatory democracy and its critique of liberal democracy; the effectiveness of participatory democracy, rational choice perspective, and facts about political participation; responses to the problems of participatory democracy; and the Marxist critique of capitalist democracy.

Language(s) of Instruction

English

Host Institution Course Number

POLI3010

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Host Institution Campus

Host Institution Faculty

Host Institution Degree

Host Institution Department

Politics & Public Administration

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