

COURSE DETAIL

LATIN AMERICAN POLITICS

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 Latin American Studies

UCEAP Course Number

139

UCEAP Course Suffix

N

UCEAP Official Title

LATIN AMERICAN POLITICS

UCEAP Transcript Title

LATIN AMER POLITICS

UCEAP Quarter Units

6.00

UCEAP Semester Units

4.00

Course Description

This course provides a first approximation to the study of Latin American politics, encompassing a wide range of topics in international relations and comparative politics. Although intended as a survey of main political science debates, the course also imparts basic knowledge about the culture, geography, and history of the region. It therefore follows a chronological ordering of topics to answer questions such as (1) How did colonial history shape politics in the region? (2) How did current national states form and consolidate? (3) How did political regimes and political parties evolve in two centuries of independent history? (4) Why is Latin America, simultaneously the most peaceful region considering international violence, and the most violent at the domestic level? (5) Which are the main challenges to political stability, economic growth, and development? The spirit of the course is to identify how Latin America can contribute to broader theories as well.

Language(s) of Instruction

English

Host Institution Course Number

POLS0098

Host Institution Course Title

LATIN AMERICAN POLITICS

Host Institution Campus

University College London

Host Institution Faculty

Host Institution Degree

Host Institution Department

Political Science

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