COURSE DETAIL

UNDERSTANDING AND PREVENTING CRIME

Country
United Kingdom - England

Host Institution
University College London

Program(s)
Summer at University College London

UCEAP Course Level
Lower Division

UCEAP Subject Area(s)
Sociology Legal Studies

UCEAP Course Number
61

UCEAP Course Suffix
S

UCEAP Official Title
UNDERSTANDING AND PREVENTING CRIME

UCEAP Transcript Title
UNDERSTANDING CRIME

UCEAP Quarter Units
6.00

UCEAP Semester Units

4.00

Course Description

This course introduces students to the study of crime and its prevention. It begins by considering the challenges with how we define and measure crime, and the implications these have for interpreting key crime trends. Special attention is devoted to how crime patterns manifest in space and time, and how they can be analyzed. Next, the key sociological, psychological, and ecological theories relating to criminal behavior are critically examined. Lastly, the formal structures and machinery in place to respond to crime and security problems are outlined. This includes the role and functions of the police, courts, and corrections as the chief components of the criminal justice system, as well as the role of government in setting crime policy. Students are encouraged to critically assess the strength of different theoretical approaches throughout the course.

Language(s) of Instruction
English

Host Institution Course Number
ISSU0033

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Host Institution Course Details
https://www.ucl.ac.uk/prospective-students/summer-school/modules/understanding-...

Host Institution Campus
Bloomsbury

Host Institution Faculty

Faculty of Engineering

Host Institution Degree
Bachelors

Host Institution Department
Security & Crime Science

Course Last Reviewed
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