COURSE DETAIL

WAR AND THE POLITICS OF ETHICS
Country United Kingdom - England
Host Institution University of Manchester
Program(s) University of Manchester
UCEAP Course Level Upper Division
UCEAP Subject Area(s) Political Science
UCEAP Course Number 128
UCEAP Course Suffix
UCEAP Official Title WAR AND THE POLITICS OF ETHICS
UCEAP Transcript Title WAR & POL OF ETHICS
UCEAP Quarter Units 8.00
UCEAP Semester Units 5.30

Course Description
This course explores the problem of ethics and its political implications in the context of war. It raises the question of what "ethics" might mean in the context of war by bringing together theoretical arguments and case studies. This involves examining traditional notions of ethics such as just war thinking, more recent critiques of the notion of "ethics" and indeed versions of ethics that are evident in soldiers' views of their role. Throughout the course, students compare these arguments to ethical questions that have arisen in relation to selected wars. Topics include the challenges of researching war and ethics; the idea of "just war"; ethics and responsibility; the "Good War" and the barbarity of warfare; the politics of targeting; "collateral damage" and the politics of counting; and refusing to fight.

Language(s) of Instruction
English

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POLI30822

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Host Institution Degree

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Politics and International Relations

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