

# COURSE DETAIL

## AN AMERICAN PERSPECTIVE ON POLITICAL CAMPAIGNS

**Country**

Denmark

**Host Institution**

University of Copenhagen

**Program(s)**

University of Copenhagen

**UCEAP Course Level**

Upper Division

**UCEAP Subject Area(s)**

Political Science

**UCEAP Course Number**

155

**UCEAP Course Suffix****UCEAP Official Title**

AN AMERICAN PERSPECTIVE ON POLITICAL CAMPAIGNS

**UCEAP Transcript Title**

US POL CAMPAIGNS

**UCEAP Quarter Units**

8.00

**UCEAP Semester Units**

5.30

## **Course Description**

This course provides students with a framework for understanding how political campaigns are conducted at the national and state levels in the United States. The course covers the major factors impacting elections including, the process, the rules, the media coverage, the money, outside interests, the advertising, the strategizing, the data, the field work, all within the context of the 2008 and 2016 elections. From the start of the primary season through the general election, 2016 was one of the most exciting years in American campaign history. The trajectory of the candidacy of Donald Trump defied all expectations and seemingly upended the prevailing assumptions about how to run a successful campaign. Trump's ultimate ascendancy to the presidency necessitates reexamination of many of those assumptions, but as is seen in this class, most of them continue to hold true. In each class the professor reviews that week's readings from "Campaigns and Elections". For the first half of the semester, each class features group presentations of that week's readings from "Game Change". For the second half of the semester, each class features group presentations of that week's readings from "The Victory Lab".

## **Language(s) of Instruction**

English

## **Host Institution Course Number**

ASTK15472U

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## **Host Institution Course Details**

### **Host Institution Campus**

Social Sciences

### **Host Institution Faculty**

### **Host Institution Degree**

### **Host Institution Department**

Political Science

**Course Last Reviewed**

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