COURSE DETAIL

THE POLITICS OF DEMOCRATIZATION: REGIME TRANSITIONS IN A COMPARATIVE PERSPECTIVE

Country

France

Host Institution

Institut d'Etudes Politiques (Sciences Po)

Program(s)

Sciences Po Paris

UCEAP Course Level

Upper Division

UCEAP Subject Area(s)

Political Science

UCEAP Course Number

105

UCEAP Course Suffix

UCEAP Official Title

THE POLITICS OF DEMOCRATIZATION: REGIME TRANSITIONS IN A COMPARATIVE PERSPECTIVE

UCEAP Transcript Title

POL/DEMOCRATIZATION

UCEAP Quarter Units

4.50

UCEAP Semester Units

3.00

Course Description

This course studies democratic transitions. Looking both at classical readings as well as cutting edge literature, it explores five aspects of democratization: its conditions (do societies need to be wealthy?), its endogenous dynamics (what types of regime and opposition favor a transition?), its exogenous dynamics (how does the international economy or geopolitics influence transitions?), different pathways (rupture or reform), and their legacy. These five aspects are explored throughout the course as it examines an array of case studies from different waves of democratization. It provides a comprehensive understanding of democratic transitions from an economic, social, and political lens. Drawing on a wide range of case studies, the course grapples with traditional theories of democratization both empirically and theoretically.

Language(s) of Instruction

English

Host Institution Course Number

DSPO 25A48

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Host Institution Campus

Host Institution Faculty

Host Institution Degree

Seminar

Host Institution Department

Political Science