COURSE DETAIL

MEDIA POLITICS: STRUCTURES AND CASE STUDIES IN GERMANY AND EUROPE

Country
Germany

Host Institution
Free University of Berlin

Program(s)
European Studies

UCEAP Course Level
Upper Division

UCEAP Subject Area(s)
Political Science Film & Media Studies European Studies

UCEAP Course Number
104

UCEAP Course Suffix

UCEAP Official Title
MEDIA POLITICS: STRUCTURES AND CASE STUDIES IN GERMANY AND EUROPE

UCEAP Transcript Title
MEDIA POLITICS

UCEAP Quarter Units
4.50

UCEAP Semester Units
3.00

Course Description

This course introduces its participants to mass media systems and structures in Germany and Europe and provides them with the analytical tools and background knowledge to assess the ways in which the mass media and politics interact and thus shape each other. The course begins with an overview of the different structures of mass media (public/private) in Germany and selected European countries, including how they have historically developed and particularly which political ideas have shaped the frameworks in which media institutions and individuals operate. At the same time, the course takes a critical look at how the media in turn have shaped and are still shaping the ways in which the political process works and presents itself to the public. Historical and current case-studies are utilized to analyze the manifold points of interaction between media and politics. At the end of the course, students also have the opportunity to compare European and American media politics and to ask whether there may be trends and influences across the Atlantic that are shaping today's politics and mass media on both sides.

Language(s) of Instruction
English

Host Institution Course Number
FU-BEST 22

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