COURSE DETAIL

INTERNATIONAL LAW AND COLONIALISM: CAN HISTORY BE REPAIRED?
Country France
Host Institution Institut d'Etudes Politiques (Sciences Po)
Program(s) Sciences Po Paris
UCEAP Course Level Upper Division
UCEAP Subject Area(s) Legal Studies History
UCEAP Course Number 160
UCEAP Course Suffix
UCEAP Official Title INTERNATIONAL LAW AND COLONIALISM: CAN HISTORY BE REPAIRED?
UCEAP Transcript Title INTL LAW&COLONIALSM
UCEAP Quarter Units 4.50
UCEAP Semester Units

3.00

Course Description

This course examines the role played by international law during European colonization and after the decolonization movement of the 1950s and 1960s (exploitation colonies) and the 1980s and 1990s (settlement colonies). The first part of the course shows how traditional international law was a colonialist and racist international law that legalized the entire colonial movement. The second part looks at the ambivalent role of contemporary international law: on the one hand, it is used to repair colonial history; on the other hand, it helps to perpetuate a regime of domination and contemporary neo-colonialism.

Language(s) of Instruction
French

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