

COURSE DETAIL

SOCIOLOGY OF LAW

Country

Ghana

Host Institution

University of Ghana, Legon

Program(s)

University of Ghana

UCEAP Course Level

Upper Division

UCEAP Subject Area(s)

Sociology Legal Studies

UCEAP Course Number

130

UCEAP Course Suffix**UCEAP Official Title**

SOCIOLOGY OF LAW

UCEAP Transcript Title

SOCIOLOGY OF LAW

UCEAP Quarter Units

5.00

UCEAP Semester Units

3.30

Course Description

This course examines the sociological approaches to the systematic analysis of law, its operation, and its significance in society. It studies law as a major social phenomenon related to other aspects of society and explores its pervasive influence on human behavior and society. Topics include the sociology of law; the justification of law; major foundational works on law and society; the social basis of law, including folkways and mores, law and culture, legal pluralism, living law and book law, traditional or customary law and modern law, approaches to the study of law, and legal positivism; the consensus perspective or law as an integrative mechanism; the conflict perspective or law, power, and ideological control; law as an instrument of social change; the acceptance and legitimacy of law; the professional guardians of law; judges, courts, and disputes; and the enforcement and invocation of law.

Language(s) of Instruction

English

Host Institution Course Number

SOCI 411/441

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Host Institution Course Details

https://www.ug.edu.gh/sites/default/files/manual_uploads/Humanities%20Handbook%202019.pdf

Host Institution Campus

University of Ghana, Legon

Host Institution Faculty

SOCIAL SCIENCES

Host Institution Degree

Host Institution Department

Sociology

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