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
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Host Institution Degree

Host Institution Department
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