COURSE DETAIL

INTERNATIONAL AND REGIONAL ORGANIZATIONS IN WORLD POLITICS

Country
Netherlands

Host Institution
Leiden University College

Program(s)
Leiden University College

UCEAP Course Level
Upper Division

UCEAP Subject Area(s)
Political Science International Studies

UCEAP Course Number
112

UCEAP Course Suffix

UCEAP Official Title
INTERNATIONAL AND REGIONAL ORGANIZATIONS IN WORLD POLITICS

UCEAP Transcript Title
INTERNATIONAL ORGS

UCEAP Quarter Units
6.00

UCEAP Semester Units

4.00

Course Description
International organizations represent one of the most curious phenomena of twentieth century world politics. Not only did their numbers increase at a startling rate during that time, they also proliferated geographically and became active in virtually every policy area relevant to global governance. They are now one of the most important aspects of world politics, and yet they are also one of the least understood by the citizens they serve. Recent years have seen a decline in the rate of new international and regional organizations being created, and existing ones such as the International Criminal Court (ICC) are in danger of losing legitimacy as member states threaten to leave them. Instead of formal, treaty-based bureaucratic bodies, states are increasingly relying on regular summits and meetings. This course introduces students to both long-standing and contemporary debates about international organizations. Specifically, it covers conceptualizations of their role in world politics, their activities in and relevance to various policy areas, as well as their institutional design and pathologies. In doing so, the course takes a truly global perspective, covering not just the usual big names such as the United Nations and World Bank, but also regional organizations such as the African Union, which are limited to specific regions of the world and whose activities may challenge standard theories of World Politics.

Language(s) of Instruction
English

Host Institution Course Number
8002WP44Y

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Host Institution Campus

Host Institution Faculty
Host Institution Degree
Host Institution Department World Politics
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