COURSE DETAIL

THE HISTORY OF WESTERN POLITICAL IDEAS II: FROM C.1700 TO THE PRESENT DAY

Country
United Kingdom - England

Host Institution
King's College London

Program(s)
King's College London

UCEAP Course Level
Upper Division

UCEAP Subject Area(s)
Political Science History

UCEAP Course Number
160

UCEAP Course Suffix

UCEAP Official Title
THE HISTORY OF WESTERN POLITICAL IDEAS II: FROM C.1700 TO THE PRESENT DAY

UCEAP Transcript Title
WESTERN POL IDEAS

UCEAP Quarter Units
6.00

UCEAP Semester Units
4.00

Course Description
This course studies key texts, arguments, and controversies in European political thought from the end of the 17th century to the present. This course is based on the close reading of classic and complex texts situated in their broader intellectual and historical context. The course focuses on key thinkers such as Rousseau, Marx, or Nietzsche, the political environments that shaped them and the debates in which they participated. The course explores the development of the central assumptions, arguments, institutions, and concepts that have played and continue to play a crucial role in political organization and debate across the Western world and beyond. Major themes of this course include the politics of the Enlightenment; the political thought of the American and French Revolutions; the emergence and development of Marxism and of Liberalism; and the impact of issues of gender and national difference on modern political thought. The course provides a framework for the development of skills of analysis and argument, and for an intellectually deepened understanding of modern history and politics.

Language(s) of Instruction
English

Host Institution Course Number
5AAH1002

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Host Institution Campus
King's College London

Host Institution Faculty

Host Institution Degree

Host Institution Department
History