

## 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**

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**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

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