COURSE DETAIL

POLITICAL TRANSITIONS IN AFRICA
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 African Studies
UCEAP Course Number 141
UCEAP Course Suffix
UCEAP Official Title POLITICAL TRANSITIONS IN AFRICA
UCEAP Transcript Title POL TRANSTN AFRICA
UCEAP Quarter Units 6.00
UCEAP Semester Units 4.00

Course Description
This course studies the nature of peace and how it has been forged in African transitions from large-scale violence. The course examines what is meant by political change, and what kinds of such change are likely to come with violent conflicts and their termination. The political history of the area in focus, namely Sub-Saharan Africa, is introduced. Students further look at how transitions from violent conflict have unfolded in Africa in recent years, and what might explain different outcomes. Students examine how and why violent conflicts in Africa have ended, and how core dimensions of peacebuilding have played out. In light of this, the course assesses the regional capacities for addressing peace and security challenges, including by the African Union. Topics covered include: war and political change, politics and conflict in Sub-Saharan Africa, transitions from violent conflict in post-cold War Africa, conflict settlements and conflict resolution, security, power sharing, democratization, economic recovery, statehood and state capacity. Prerequisites for this course are an introductory to peace and conflict course and a course on political research methods.

Language(s) of Instruction
English

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REGIONAL TRENDS: POLITICAL TRANSITIONS IN AFRICA

Host Institution Course Details

Host Institution Campus
LUC The Hague- Level 3

Host Institution Faculty

Host Institution Degree

Host Institution Department
World Politics

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