COURSE DETAIL

MANAGING GLOBAL PROBLEMS
Country Netherlands
Host Institution Utrecht University
Program(s) Utrecht University
UCEAP Course Level Upper Division
UCEAP Subject Area(s) Political Science International Studies
UCEAP Course Number 103
UCEAP Course Suffix
UCEAP Official Title MANAGING GLOBAL PROBLEMS
UCEAP Transcript Title MANAGE GLOBL PROBLM
UCEAP Quarter Units 6.00
UCEAP Semester Units 4.00

Course Description
Many societal problems transcend the borders of the nation-state. Economic developments and trade, crime and terrorism, refugees, climate change, human trafficking, natural disasters, international monetary and financial crises, inequality, are not confined to national territory. To cope with these matters, nation-states have partially delegated competencies to supranational bodies. The number of supranational institutions, laws, rules and norms has, accordingly, tremendously increased over time. As a result, we face a diverse and complex institutional landscape of global governance that has profound influence on the day-to-day life of citizens. This course offers a broad introduction to the theory and practice of global governance. It does so by analyzing the main institutional processes of global governance and, subsequently, by zooming in on selected global issues, such as recent cases of international security, humanitarian and financial crises, the refugee crisis and gender inequality. The following questions are addressed: when do states delegate authority to supranational institutions and why; how do these acts of delegation affect the distribution of power and influence; who is pulling which strings; what repercussions does the complex global institutional landscape have for essential values of (good) governance such as democratic legitimacy and accountability; is global governance truly and evenly global, or are these processes increasingly dividing the powerful and rich from the marginalized and poor?

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