COURSE DETAIL

CAUSES OF WAR
Country France
Host Institution Institut d'Etudes Politiques (Sciences Po)
Program(s) Sciences Po Paris
UCEAP Course Level Upper Division
UCEAP Subject Area(s) International Studies
UCEAP Course Number 102
UCEAP Course Suffix
UCEAP Official Title CAUSES OF WAR
UCEAP Transcript Title CAUSES OF WAR
UCEAP Quarter Units 4.50
UCEAP Semester Units 3.00

Course Description

What is to be known about the causes and mechanisms of conflicts? What factors and elements allow us to closely analyze them and can provide us with insight? What about the understanding of political decision makers' motivations and the construction of States' interests in times of crisis? This course establishes a theoretical grid of analysis to prepare for the study of the origins of conflict. By analyzing actors' interests, actions or policies through the application of international relations theory, it considers the motivations and intentions of the parties to the conflict. The course then attempts to "test" theories within the framework of case studies and answers research questions through methodological research.

Language(s) of Instruction
English

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Host Institution Campus

Host Institution Faculty

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Seminar

Host Institution Department
International Relations

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