COURSE DETAIL

POPULISM AND THE CRISIS OF DEMOCRACY: A COMPARATIVE PERSPECTIVE

Country
Japan

Host Institution
Waseda University

Program(s)
Waseda University

UCEAP Course Level
Upper Division

UCEAP Subject Area(s)
Political Science

UCEAP Course Number
127

UCEAP Course Suffix

UCEAP Official Title
POPULISM AND THE CRISIS OF DEMOCRACY: A COMPARATIVE PERSPECTIVE

UCEAP Transcript Title
POPULISM

UCEAP Quarter Units
3.00

UCEAP Semester Units

2.00

Course Description
What is populism? Who is populist, who is not? The concept of populism has become rapidly popular in political science and in everyday conversations. It is nowadays considered as a key notion that helps to designate the rise of a new kind of demagogues, in many countries. However, it seems to be difficult to define clearly what it is, and to discriminate populists from democrats. The rise of populism is consubstantial with a global evolution of democratic regimes. This is why this course explores this ambiguous concept through a comparative perspective. The course analyzes the problems democracies are facing through the eyes of populism. It presents the main aspects of such evolutions, thanks to an international comparison mostly focusing on France and Japan. The course presents the theoretical complexity of populism in the political science literature. It describes the common evolutions of the main democratic societies, with a focus on France and Japan. The course analyzes the rise of new demagogues a to understand their characteristics and their actions. Assessment: exam, papers, class participation.

Language(s) of Instruction
English

Host Institution Course Number
POLX314L

Host Institution Course Title
APM- POPULISM AND THE CRISIS OF DEMOCRACY: A COMPARATIVE PERSPECTIVE 01

Host Institution Course Details

Host Institution Campus
School of International Liberal Studies

Host Institution Faculty

Host Institution Degree

Host Institution Department
SILS- Political Science

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