

COURSE DETAIL

INTRODUCTION TO BRITISH POLITICS

Country

United Kingdom - Scotland

Host Institution

University of Edinburgh

Program(s)

Intern: Scotland, University of Edinburgh

UCEAP Course Level

Upper Division

UCEAP Subject Area(s)

Political Science

UCEAP Course Number

136

UCEAP Course Suffix**UCEAP Official Title**

INTRODUCTION TO BRITISH POLITICS

UCEAP Transcript Title

BRITISH POLITICS

UCEAP Quarter Units

8.00

UCEAP Semester Units

5.30

Course Description

This course provides a detailed but accessible introduction to the government and politics of the United Kingdom. Students study the main political institutions of the UK and how they have been affected by devolution, voter apathy, and the increasing fragmentation of the party system. Does Parliament matter or does it merely approve decisions taken elsewhere? Does the Prime Minister dominate the British system? Will Brexit lead to the break-up of the UK? Why do people vote UKIP? Students are introduced to important institutions and debates in the study of British government. They consider, in particular: the British parliamentary state and the enduring influence of the Westminster Model; the peculiar nature of the constitution; the management of the (increasingly) multi-national nature of the UK; and the explanations for and impact of the vote for Brexit.

Language(s) of Instruction

English

Host Institution Course Number

PLIT08016

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Host Institution Course Details

<http://www.drps.ed.ac.uk/22-23/dpt/cxplit08016.htm>

Host Institution Campus

University of Edinburgh

Host Institution Faculty

School of Social and Political Science

Host Institution Degree

Host Institution Department

Course Last Reviewed

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