

COURSE DETAIL

TRANSNATIONAL POLITICS OF REPRODUCTION

Country

France

Host Institution

Sciences Po Reims

Program(s)

Sciences Po Reims

UCEAP Course Level

Upper Division

UCEAP Subject Area(s)

Sociology Political Science International Studies

UCEAP Course Number

153

UCEAP Course Suffix**UCEAP Official Title**

TRANSNATIONAL POLITICS OF REPRODUCTION

UCEAP Transcript Title

POL OF REPRODUCTION

UCEAP Quarter Units

4.50

UCEAP Semester Units

3.00

Course Description

This interdisciplinary course explores classic literature and contemporary perspectives on reproduction from the perspectives of history, sociology, anthropology, and law. It examines the crucial role reproduction plays in how relations between nations are negotiated, both symbolically and materially. From colonial to metropolitan households, notably via military contexts, the “domestic” has been re-signified by the transnational: nannies, international adoption, and gestational surrogacy have historical links with 19th and 20th centuries' wars. Focusing on the exchanges and connections between the economic, the political, and the intimate, it examines how these increasingly global processes affect individuals, families, and (imagined) communities from multiple lenses: ethnicity and race, nation, class, and gender. It considers how notions of kinship, citizenship, and human rights have become the subject of intense scrutiny, notably through public debates on private and state management of collective life through (bio)technologies of measurement and intervention. Case studies range from analysis of gender dynamics of armed rebellions in Africa to reproductive politics in the United States. Key concepts and policies pertaining to biopolitics, birthing, welfare programs, domestic labor, marriage, and care work are discussed.

Language(s) of Instruction

English

Host Institution Course Number

DHIS 27A27

Host Institution Course Title

TRANSNATIONAL POLITICS OF REPRODUCTION

Host Institution Campus

Host Institution Faculty

Host Institution Degree

Seminar

Host Institution Department

History

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