# **COURSE DETAIL**

#### **SYNTHETIC HORIZONS**

# **Country**

France

#### **Host Institution**

Institut d'Etudes Politiques (Sciences Po)

# Program(s)

Sciences Po Paris

#### **UCEAP Course Level**

**Upper Division** 

# **UCEAP Subject Area(s)**

Sociology Philosophy

#### **UCEAP Course Number**

141

#### **UCEAP Course Suffix**

#### **UCEAP Official Title**

SYNTHETIC HORIZONS

# **UCEAP Transcript Title**

SYNTHETIC HORIZONS

# **UCEAP Quarter Units**

4.50

#### **UCEAP Semester Units**

3.00

#### **Course Description**

This course examines the ambivalent role of digital technologies in our societies and interrogates the future by questioning their relevance. It considers where we come from and how the pre-web world prepared us for this new reality, notably through science fiction. Then, it discusses what is happening in our daily lives by deciphering the announced technological advances and their effects on reality; in particular, a "synthetic horizon" where the Metaverse, crypto-assets, and artificial intelligence coexist to help humanity meet the challenges ahead. Finally, it considers whether these technologies will really help and explores a horizon that seems the most desirable for all.

### Language(s) of Instruction

English

**Host Institution Course Number** 

**BEXP 15A04** 

**Host Institution Course Title** 

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**Host Institution Course Details** 

**Host Institution Campus** 

**Host Institution Faculty** 

**Host Institution Degree** 

Seminar

**Host Institution Department** 

**Course Last Reviewed** 

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