COURSE DETAIL

THE GERMAN COLD WAR
Country United Kingdom - England
Host Institution King's College London
Program(s) King's College London
UCEAP Course Level Upper Division
UCEAP Subject Area(s) History European Studies
UCEAP Course Number 122
UCEAP Course Suffix N
UCEAP Official Title THE GERMAN COLD WAR
UCEAP Transcript Title THE GERMAN COLD WAR
UCEAP Quarter Units 6.00
UCEAP Semester Units

4.00

Course Description

After its total defeat in World War II, a divided Germany developed differing forms of socio-political organizations in an attempt to find a sustainable response to the challenges posed by modern industrial society. While the East experimented with state socialism, the West implemented a liberal democracy. Yet despite their political division, the two German states remained deeply interconnected through economic linkages, a shared cultural heritage, and similar ambitions to redefine their nationhood and global position. This course explores their special relationship against the backdrop of the global Cold War. Topics include political consolidation, East and West European integration, consumption and identity, the role of the cultural institutions, social movements and dissent, immigration and ethnic diversity, holocaust memory and foreign policy, the collapse of communism and reunification. It engages critically with the attempts of both German states to deal with their problematic history, and the way history was used to legitimize the different regimes.

Language(s) of Instruction
English

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