

COURSE DETAIL

MODERN FREEDOM

Country

France

Host Institution

Institut d'Etudes Politiques (Sciences Po)

Program(s)

Sciences Po Paris

UCEAP Course Level

Upper Division

UCEAP Subject Area(s)

Philosophy

UCEAP Course Number

107

UCEAP Course Suffix**UCEAP Official Title**

MODERN FREEDOM

UCEAP Transcript Title

MODERN FREEDOM

UCEAP Quarter Units

4.50

UCEAP Semester Units

3.00

Course Description

This course is devoted to the notion of freedom as it is thought of in philosophy. The first part of the course focuses on the ancient idea of freedom as opposed to slavery, or as free will (as in Saint Augustine) to provide the sources from which modern reflections on freedom have been drawn, especially in German idealism. The course then follows the evolution of theories of freedom from Kant, Hegel, and Schelling to Isaiah Berlin, Sartre, Butler, and Axel Honneth, and to the re-emergence of the question of slavery in contemporary thought. An important part of the course is devoted to an in-depth study of F.G.J. Schelling's PHILOSOPHICAL INVESTIGATIONS INTO HUMAN FREEDOM (1809) to confront a seemingly difficult text with the keys to understanding the complex intellectual edifices that underpin our modern vision of freedom.

Language(s) of Instruction

French

Host Institution Course Number

CHUM 25F48

Host Institution Course Title

MODERN FREEDOM

Host Institution Campus

Host Institution Faculty

Host Institution Degree

Seminar

Host Institution Department

Humanities

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