COURSE DETAIL

ELECTIONS AND VOTING BEHAVIOR

Country

France

Host Institution

Institut d'Etudes Politiques (Sciences Po)

Program(s)

Sciences Po Paris

UCEAP Course Level

Upper Division

UCEAP Subject Area(s)

Political Science

UCEAP Course Number

143

UCEAP Course Suffix

UCEAP Official Title

ELECTIONS AND VOTING BEHAVIOR

UCEAP Transcript Title

ELECTN&VOTING BEHAV

UCEAP Quarter Units

4.50

UCEAP Semester Units

3.00

Course Description

The course focuses on the scientific study of elections and voting behavior in modern democracies. It examines in detail the act of voting in contemporary democracies (mostly Western but also non-Western democracies). The topics covered include how voters form preferences for parties/candidates, how they translate these preferences into a vote (or an abstention), and how they react to electoral campaigns and the state of the economy. It also covers how parties decide upon their electoral program, and how this affects their electoral performance. The course develops skills to actively read, fully understand, and critically appraise the scientific literature on elections; mobilize and articulate this scientific literature on elections to form an informed judgement about the state of elections in contemporary democracies and analyze new elections; and independently catch up with the latest developments of the scientific literature about elections.

Language(s) of Instruction

English

Host Institution Course Number

ASPO 25A31

Host Institution Course Title

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Core Seminar

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