

COURSE DETAIL

CITIZEN POLITICS

Country

Korea, South

Host Institution

Korea University

Program(s)

Korea University

UCEAP Course Level

Upper Division

UCEAP Subject Area(s)

Political Science

UCEAP Course Number

102

UCEAP Course Suffix**UCEAP Official Title**

CITIZEN POLITICS

UCEAP Transcript Title

CITIZEN POLIT

UCEAP Quarter Units

4.50

UCEAP Semester Units

3.00

Course Description

This course explores the role of the citizen in contemporary democratic politics. As R. J. Dalton confesses, “If democracy was in crisis, it was one of institutions, not of the democratic spirit among citizens.” According to Dalton, understanding the values and choices of the citizens can tell us the quality of democracy.

This course, based on two textbooks, R.J. Dalton’s *Citizen Politics* and R. Inglehart’s *Cultural Evolution*, explores values, behaviors, and political participation of the citizen in current democracy. The first part of the course (Citizen Politics) aims to gain a deeper understanding of the nature of citizen politics through a systematic approach and the process it transfers into diverse political participation. The second part (Cultural Evolution) discusses the changing values of the citizen such as feminization, happiness, new forms of political activism, and the effect of artificial intelligence on society. Changing values creates a new sphere of politics.

In addition to these two textbooks, students need to read D. Kahneman’s *Thinking Fast and Slow* for a team project answering the question, “How can we explain political participation of the citizen in a democracy?”

Language(s) of Instruction

English

Host Institution Course Number

POLI220

Host Institution Course Title

CITIZEN POLITICS

Host Institution Campus

Host Institution Faculty

Host Institution Degree

Host Institution Department

