

COURSE DETAIL

THE SHORT TWENTIETH CENTURY AND BEYOND

Country

United Kingdom - England

Host Institution

University of Sussex

Program(s)

University of Sussex

UCEAP Course Level

Upper Division

UCEAP Subject Area(s)

Political Science International Studies

UCEAP Course Number

161

UCEAP Course Suffix

N

UCEAP Official Title

THE SHORT TWENTIETH CENTURY AND BEYOND

UCEAP Transcript Title

SHORT 20C & BEYOND

UCEAP Quarter Units

6.00

UCEAP Semester Units

4.00

Course Description

This course reviews some of the major international events and processes of "the short 20th century" (1914-1989). The course emphasizes the order and disorder in international history of a period that has been one of the most tumultuous: racked by wars, revolutions, and global ideological conflicts. In the same period, however, the international system developed new mechanisms of stability and international organization such as the League of Nations and the United Nations, the "Bretton Woods" institutions, and European integration. The course covers topics including the impact of the Russian Revolution after 1917; the failure of victorious powers to find a workable peace settlement with Germany in 1919; the collapse of the international economy in 1929-32; the causes of World War II; the struggle for decolonization in the third world; and the dangerous nuclear confrontation of the Cold War. Finally, the course reviews some key developments in the emergence of the post-Cold War international system. Throughout the course, attention is given not only to the facts of 20th century history, but also to the myriad ways in which historians have interpreted them.

Language(s) of Instruction

English

Host Institution Course Number

L2005

Host Institution Course Title

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Host Institution Course Details

<http://www.sussex.ac.uk/bmec/internal/departments/economics/ugcourses/2012/LL12...>

Host Institution Campus

University of Sussex

Host Institution Faculty

Host Institution Degree

Host Institution Department

International Relations (Humanities)

Course Last Reviewed

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