COURSE DETAIL

RELIGION AND POLITICAL SECULARISM

Country Netherlands

Host Institution Utrecht University – University College Utrecht

Program(s) University College Utrecht

UCEAP Course Level Upper Division

UCEAP Subject Area(s) Religious Studies

UCEAP Course Number 131

UCEAP Course Suffix

UCEAP Official Title RELIGION AND POLITICAL SECULARISM

UCEAP Transcript Title RELIGION&SECULARISM

UCEAP Quarter Units 6.00

UCEAP Semester Units 4.00

Course Description

This course provides a map of contemporary approaches to the so-called separation of church and state, or political secularism, and enables them to use the relevant concepts and insights in analyses of societal issues concerning religious diversity. This course provides the theoretical and empirical knowledge to make sense of these academic debates and contemporary issues regarding the relation between states and religions. The course explores the concept of political secularism through multidisciplinary readings, especially anthropology, sociology, law, and political philosophy. Theory and concepts concerning political secularism are always be discussed by in depth readings of case studies, for example about native-Americans and religious freedom, Muslim sartorial practices and gender equality in France and Iran, or political secularism in postcolonial nations such as India and South Africa.

Language(s) of Instruction

English

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Host Institution Campus

University College Utrecht

Host Institution Faculty

Humanities

Host Institution Degree

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