

COURSE DETAIL

FAR RIGHT AND POLARIZATION

Country

Ireland

Host Institution

University College Dublin

Program(s)

University College Dublin

UCEAP Course Level

Upper Division

UCEAP Subject Area(s)

Political Science

UCEAP Course Number

167

UCEAP Course Suffix**UCEAP Official Title**

FAR RIGHT AND POLARIZATION

UCEAP Transcript Title

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UCEAP Quarter Units

5.00

UCEAP Semester Units

3.30

Course Description

In the 21st century, the world has witnessed the resurgence of several political movements marked by extremism and far-right worldviews. The result is a concerning trend of global democratic backsliding. In this context, political polarization is becoming the norm, dividing opinions in the public sphere. In this course, students analyze the multiple roots of this contemporary phenomenon and its disparate manifestations around the world today. At the theoretical level, students explore a wide range of concepts, such as populism, polarization, far-right ideologies, extremism, fascism, authoritarianism, and conservatism. Students are exposed to different styles of politicians and political movements, including cases in the United States, Europe (e.g., Ireland), Brazil, India, and the Philippines. Students examine forms of government, street protests, and online activism/harassment, giving particular attention to current attacks against women, queer people, immigrants, ethnic minorities, sexual rights, vaccinations, and freedom of speech. Finally, new modes of resistance are discussed.

Language(s) of Instruction

English

Host Institution Course Number

GEOG31080

Host Institution Course Title

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Host Institution Course Details

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Host Institution Campus

University College Dublin

Host Institution Faculty

Host Institution Degree
Host Institution Department Geography
Course Last Reviewed 2024-2025

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