COURSE DETAIL

BARRICADES OR ELECTIONS? THE FRENCH POLITICAL LABORATORY FROM 1789 TO OUR TIME

Country
France

Host Institution
Institut d'Etudes Politiques (Sciences Po)

Program(s)
Sciences Po Paris

UCEAP Course Level
Upper Division

UCEAP Subject Area(s)
History

UCEAP Course Number
131

UCEAP Course Suffix

UCEAP Official Title
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UCEAP Transcript Title
FR POLITICAL LAB

UCEAP Quarter Units
4.50

UCEAP Semester Units
3.00

Course Description

Revolutions, revolts, social unrest, strikes, modern street demonstrations and violent episodes are commonplace in the French historical landscape. On the other hand, the French political “laboratory” is remarkable by the number and the diversity of its institutional experiments through political regimes as opposed as Monarchy, Parliamentary Republic, Presidential Republic and even “Empire”' (under the Bonaparte). What is the most relevant feature: Revolution or Reform? People's Power in the streets or Elected assemblies? Popular voice or a sense of compromise driven by official institutions? Where Democracy ought to be situated: on the top of Barricades or within the routine of State-run policies? This course offers an historical journey through the multiple episodes of the French “instability”, from the Revolution of 1789 to our time. The course is open to all students and does not require prior knowledge with French political history.

Language(s) of Instruction
English

Host Institution Course Number
DHIS 25A10

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Host Institution Course Details
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Host Institution Campus

Host Institution Faculty

Host Institution Degree

Seminar

Host Institution Department
History

Course Last Reviewed
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