COURSE DETAIL

FRENCH EMPIRE: A GLOBAL HISTORY
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 115
UCEAP Course Suffix
UCEAP Official Title FRENCH EMPIRE: A GLOBAL HISTORY
UCEAP Transcript Title FRENCH EMPIRE
UCEAP Quarter Units 4.50
UCEAP Semester Units 3.00

Course Description

This course offers a survey of the rise and fall of successive French imperial systems, from the creation of an American New France in the seventeenth century until the crisis in France's African sphere of influence today. Adopting a global perspective, it focuses on the role of external and local constraints – from rivalry with the British Empire to various types of indigenous resistance – rather than internal expansionist impulses in shaping the course of French imperial history. Special attention is paid to the role of racial distinctions, in a comparative perspective with other European empires. Topics covered include the collapse of the early modern and Napoleonic empires, the liberal reinvention of empire, colonial governance, and decolonization.

Language(s) of Instruction
English

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Seminar

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History

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