

COURSE DETAIL

EXPLORING CATALONIA: HISTORY, POLITICS, AND SOCIETY

Country

Spain

Host Institution

Pompeu Fabra University

Program(s)

UPF Barcelona International Summer School

UCEAP Course Level

Upper Division

UCEAP Subject Area(s)

History Catalan

UCEAP Course Number

113

UCEAP Course Suffix**UCEAP Official Title**

EXPLORING CATALONIA: HISTORY, POLITICS, AND SOCIETY

UCEAP Transcript Title

EXPLORING CATALONIA

UCEAP Quarter Units

3.00

UCEAP Semester Units

2.00

Course Description

This course examines the rich and complex history of Catalonia, from the Middle Ages to the present day. Students explore the formation and evolution of Catalonia, beginning with its medieval origins and the development of a distinct Catalan identity. Key historical milestones, such as the War of the Spanish Succession, the rise of Catalan nationalism, and the impact of the Spanish Civil War, are analyzed to understand their enduring influence on contemporary Catalan society and politics.

Additional topics include the relationship between Catalonia and the broader Spanish state, significant political movements and cultural developments, including the Renaixença (Catalan Renaissance), the establishment of the Generalitat (Catalan Government), and the recent push for independence. Through a multidisciplinary approach, incorporating history, political science, and cultural studies, students gain a comprehensive understanding of Catalonia's socio-political landscape. The course also addresses contemporary issues such as language policy, regional autonomy, and the economic challenges facing Catalonia within the European Union.

Language(s) of Instruction

English

Host Institution Course Number

59150

Host Institution Course Title

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Host Institution Course Details

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Host Institution Campus

Ciutadella Campus

Host Institution Faculty

Host Institution Degree

Host Institution Department

UPF Education Abroad Program

Course Last Reviewed

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