COURSE DETAIL

EMOTIONS AND INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS
Country Switzerland
Host Institution University of Geneva
Program(s) Global Studies, Geneva
UCEAP Course Level Upper Division
UCEAP Subject Area(s) Political Science International Studies
UCEAP Course Number 119
UCEAP Course Suffix
UCEAP Official Title EMOTIONS AND INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS
UCEAP Transcript Title EMOTIONS & INTL REL
UCEAP Quarter Units 5.00
UCEAP Semester Units 3.30

Course Description

This course examines the critical role of emotions in international relations. In the first part, students will gain a foundational understanding of emotions, focusing on their social and political dimensions. We will explore the concepts of group and collective emotions, shedding light on how emotions operate at the societal level.
The second part of the course delves into the role of emotions in intergroup conflicts. We will analyze how emotions such as hatred and fear can escalate conflicts, while emotions like empathy and collective guilt can facilitate reconciliation and conflict resolution.
In the final part, we will explore the influence of emotions on contemporary global issues. This includes their role in the rise of populism and their impact on collective responses to climate change. Through this comprehensive approach, students will gain a deeper understanding of how emotions shape international dynamics and global challenges.

The course is graded on a pass/fail basis only.

Language(s) of Instruction
English

Host Institution Course Number
T207045

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Host Institution Campus

Host Institution Faculty
Faculté des Sciences de la Société

Host Institution Degree

Host Institution Department
Département de science politique et relations internationales (SdS)

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