

COURSE DETAIL

RIGHT-WING POPULISM IN COMPARATIVE PERSPECTIVE

Country

Germany

Host Institution

Humboldt University Berlin

Program(s)

Humboldt University Berlin

UCEAP Course Level

Upper Division

UCEAP Subject Area(s)

Sociology Political Science International Studies

UCEAP Course Number

120

UCEAP Course Suffix

B

UCEAP Official Title

RIGHT-WING POPULISM IN COMPARATIVE PERSPECTIVE

UCEAP Transcript Title

RW POPULISM COMPARE

UCEAP Quarter Units

4.50

UCEAP Semester Units

3.00

Course Description

This course offers an in-depth critical analysis of right-wing populism, emphasizing its theoretical foundations, historical evolution, and contemporary empirical manifestations. Students explore the ideological underpinnings of right-wing populism, its intersections with nationalism and authoritarian tendencies, and its broader implications for democratic governance. Through interdisciplinary scholarly literature, critical media analyses, and collaborative discussions, the course examines how right-wing populist movements emerge, sustain, and transform within diverse political systems and cultural contexts, focusing particularly on case studies from Europe and North America. Special attention is also given to the relationship between right-wing populism and pressing global issues such as climate change, fostering awareness of how environmental concerns are framed, instrumentalized, or denied within populist rhetoric. Upon completion of this course, students can clearly define and differentiate between key concepts including right-wing populism, radical right, and extreme right. They are capable of analyzing and critiquing the core ideological dimensions of populism and identifying the underlying factors that drive the emergence and rise of right-wing populist movements. Additionally, students evaluate the impact of digital communication technologies on populist rhetoric and political mobilization. They are also equipped to conduct comparative analyses of right-wing populist phenomena across different national contexts and critically assess the consequences of right-wing populism on democratic institutions, civil society, civic norms, and environmental discourse.

Language(s) of Instruction

English

Host Institution Course Number

531241

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Host Institution Course Details

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Host Institution Campus

Host Institution Faculty

Host Institution Degree

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Institut für Sozialwissenschaften

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