

COURSE DETAIL

AUSTRALIAN POLITICS

Country

Australia

Host Institution

University of Melbourne

Program(s)

University of Melbourne

UCEAP Course Level

Lower Division

UCEAP Subject Area(s)

Political Science Australian Studies

UCEAP Course Number

15

UCEAP Course Suffix**UCEAP Official Title**

AUSTRALIAN POLITICS

UCEAP Transcript Title

AUSTRALIAN POLITICS

UCEAP Quarter Units

6.00

UCEAP Semester Units

4.00

Course Description

This course examines Australian politics with an emphasis on what makes Australia unique and how its democratic institutions have developed over time. It concentrates on formal political institutions, including the constitution, parliament, the executive, the bureaucracy, federalism and the High Court. It also examines the role of political parties, the Australian electoral system, voters and voting behavior, lobby groups, social movements and the media. It considers the benefits and limitations of the Australian political system in the face of major policy challenges such as climate change, asylum seekers, gun control, marriage equality and economic crisis.

Language(s) of Instruction

English

Host Institution Course Number

POLS10001

Host Institution Course Title

AUSTRALIAN POLITICS

Host Institution Course Details

<https://handbook.unimelb.edu.au/subjects/pols10001>

Host Institution Campus

Parkville

Host Institution Faculty

Arts

Host Institution Degree

Host Institution Department

Course Last Reviewed

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