

# COURSE DETAIL

## SOCIAL AND POLITICAL THOUGHT THROUGH TIME

**Country**

United Kingdom - England

**Host Institution**

King's College London

**Program(s)**

King's College London

**UCEAP Course Level**

Upper Division

**UCEAP Subject Area(s)**

Sociology Philosophy

**UCEAP Course Number**

143

**UCEAP Course Suffix**

N

**UCEAP Official Title**

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**UCEAP Transcript Title**

SOC & POL THOUGHT

**UCEAP Quarter Units**

6.00

**UCEAP Semester Units**

4.00

### **Course Description**

This course explores the history of social and political thought, focusing on an alternating set of formative texts and their authors. Global early modernity and the Age of Discovery saw the rise of various imperial powers, within and beyond Europe, as well as rapid economic transformation. The onset of modernity and the Age of Enlightenment further strengthened the secular state and witnessed the sustained critique of inherited political and moral ideas. These developments spawned new works of political, moral, and social philosophy that often became famous in their own day and have intrigued intellectual historians and philosophers ever since. The main purpose of this module is to investigate selected texts in order to ascertain their conceptual significance, but also to attempt to understand the historical circumstances in which they were born, and which they themselves influenced.

### **Language(s) of Instruction**

English

### **Host Institution Course Number**

4AAT1301

### **Host Institution Course Title**

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<https://www.kcl.ac.uk/abroad/module-options/social-and-political-thought-throug...>

### **Host Institution Campus**

### **Host Institution Faculty**

### **Host Institution Degree**

### **Host Institution Department**

Theology & Religious Studies

**Course Last Reviewed**

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