

# COURSE DETAIL

## POLITICAL SOCIOLOGY

### Country

Taiwan

### Host Institution

National Taiwan University

### Program(s)

National Taiwan University

### UCEAP Course Level

Upper Division

### UCEAP Subject Area(s)

Sociology

### UCEAP Course Number

108

### UCEAP Course Suffix

### UCEAP Official Title

POLITICAL SOCIOLOGY

### UCEAP Transcript Title

POLITICAL SOCIOLOGY

### UCEAP Quarter Units

4.50

### UCEAP Semester Units

3.00

## **Course Description**

Political sociology includes the study of the state, political institutions, social movements, nationalism, international relations, and many other areas.

Given the broadness of the subfield, no two political sociology syllabi are alike. This course studies three main topics: the state, war, and democracy.

The course begins with classical theory of the state and an introduction to some theories of state formation. It then proceeds to classic texts on war, as well as a recent synthesis of the sociology of war. Finally, the course concludes with a study of democracy, the readings of which span the Enlightenment to the late 20th century.

Based on these texts, the class should begin to grasp a set of conceptual and theoretical tools that can help them understand how the world works today. What is society's relationship with the state? How did modern states come into being? Why do wars break out? Are wars rational? Are they inevitable? What is the nature of democracy? Is it a system of government with continuing relevance? Is it worth defending?

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

English

### **Host Institution Course Number**

Soc2018

### **Host Institution Course Title**

POLITICAL SOCIOLOGY

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### **Host Institution Campus**

### **Host Institution Faculty**

College of Social Sciences

**Host Institution Degree**

**Host Institution Department**

Department of Sociology

**Course Last Reviewed**

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