

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

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Host Institution Course Details

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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 2025-2026

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