

# COURSE DETAIL

## FOUNDATIONS IN GLOBAL SECURITY

**Country**

United Kingdom - Scotland

**Host Institution**

University of Edinburgh

**Program(s)**

University of Edinburgh

**UCEAP Course Level**

Upper Division

**UCEAP Subject Area(s)**

Political Science

**UCEAP Course Number**

155

**UCEAP Course Suffix****UCEAP Official Title**

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**UCEAP Transcript Title**

GLOBAL SECURITY

**UCEAP Quarter Units**

8.00

**UCEAP Semester Units**

5.30

## Course Description

This course discusses a range of contemporary security challenges providing a set of key concepts that help you develop an in-depth understanding of the post-Cold war geopolitical and strategic environment. It seeks to provide students with the analytical tools for analyzing and assessing respective policy responses, and for developing critical perspectives that go beyond the mere explanation of political practice. In doing so, the course draws on a range of International Relations theories, illustrating ways in which various approaches can serve as a framework for analyzing global and regional security. The course places particular emphasis on the dichotomy between problem-solving and critical approaches to the study of global security and this is also reflected in the way it is assessed: the policy brief challenges students' problem-solving skills whereas the essay and the tutorial discussions give students room for critical reflection.

### Language(s) of Instruction

English

### Host Institution Course Number

PLIT10154

### Host Institution Course Title

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### Host Institution Course Details

<http://www.drps.ed.ac.uk/25-26/dpt/cxplit10154.htm>

### Host Institution Campus

### Host Institution Faculty

School of Social and Political Science

### Host Institution Degree

### Host Institution Department

### Course Last Reviewed

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