

# COURSE DETAIL

## POLITICAL PHILOSOPHY

### Country

Ireland

### Host Institution

Trinity College Dublin

### Program(s)

Trinity College Dublin

### UCEAP Course Level

Upper Division

### UCEAP Subject Area(s)

Political Science Philosophy

### UCEAP Course Number

151

### UCEAP Course Suffix

### UCEAP Official Title

POLITICAL PHILOSOPHY

### UCEAP Transcript Title

POLITICAL PHILOSOPHY

### UCEAP Quarter Units

5.00

### UCEAP Semester Units

3.30

## Course Description

This course asks whether the welfare state is justified, how extensive it should be, and what level of inequality and/or poverty is acceptable in a just society. Thus, the course examines the main theories of distributive or social justice in contemporary analytical political philosophy. Distributive justice is about the fair distribution of burdens and benefits in a society and some of the main approaches to this issue that we look at include liberal egalitarianism, libertarianism (left and right), luck egalitarianism, and relational egalitarianism and republicanism. The course also looks at some of the critiques, alternative approaches and applications of these theories, to areas like health and education.

### Language(s) of Instruction

English

### Host Institution Course Number

PIU33173

### Host Institution Course Title

POLITICAL PHILOSOPHY

### Host Institution Course Details

<https://www.tcd.ie/media/tcd/philosophy/pdfs/PIU33173-Political-Philosophy-5-EC...>

### Host Institution Campus

### Host Institution Faculty

School of Social Sciences and Philosophy

### Host Institution Degree

### Host Institution Department

### Course Last Reviewed

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