

COURSE DETAIL

CAPITALISM, A HISTORY

Country

France

Host Institution

University of Bordeaux

Program(s)

University of Bordeaux

UCEAP Course Level

Upper Division

UCEAP Subject Area(s)

History Economics

UCEAP Course Number

117

UCEAP Course Suffix**UCEAP Official Title**

CAPITALISM, A HISTORY

UCEAP Transcript Title

CAPITALISM HISTORY

UCEAP Quarter Units

3.50

UCEAP Semester Units

2.30

Course Description

This course introduces past and present-day economic phenomena. Its scope consists in an examination and analysis of the successive stages of development of market capitalism and its variants. After a discussion of the terms used to describe an economic “system,” the enquiry proceeds by examining “primitive” or incomplete prototypes of capitalist enterprise as well as the mercantilist “system” in the preindustrial era. The emergence of industrial capitalism, the first wave of globalization, the emergence of financial capitalism and the attendant slumps as well as the regulations introduced by political authorities provide matter for discussion in the following chapters. All along this journey the connection between the diffusion of market mechanisms and political dynamics is underscored.

Language(s) of Instruction

English

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