

COURSE DETAIL

AMERICAN GRAND STRATEGY

Country

United Kingdom - England

Host Institution

London School of Economics

Program(s)

London School of Economics

UCEAP Course Level

Upper Division

UCEAP Subject Area(s)

International Studies

UCEAP Course Number

164

UCEAP Course Suffix**UCEAP Official Title**

AMERICAN GRAND STRATEGY

UCEAP Transcript Title

AMER GRAND STRATEGY

UCEAP Quarter Units

6.00

UCEAP Semester Units

4.00

Course Description

This course explores American foreign policy at the broadest level of analysis – the level known as grand strategy. The course showcases the main theoretical perspectives that inform the study of grand strategy and applies them to historical and contemporary cases of American statecraft. In this connection, students assess the relevance of the U.S. experience for theorizing about power politics and the implications of alternative theories for thinking critically about American international behavior. Emphasis is placed on the debates and controversies that animate the study of grand strategy, as well as of the unique challenges posed by making foreign policy in the American political, economic, and cultural context.

Language(s) of Instruction

English

Host Institution Course Number

IR317

Host Institution Course Title

AMERICAN GRAND STRATEGY

Host Institution Course Details

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Host Institution Campus

Host Institution Faculty

Host Institution Degree

Host Institution Department

International Relations

Course Last Reviewed

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