

COURSE DETAIL

INTRODUCTION TO INTELLECTUAL HISTORY

Country

France

Host Institution

Institut d'Etudes Politiques (Sciences Po)

Program(s)

Sciences Po Paris

UCEAP Course Level

Upper Division

UCEAP Subject Area(s)

History

UCEAP Course Number

152

UCEAP Course Suffix**UCEAP Official Title**

INTRODUCTION TO INTELLECTUAL HISTORY

UCEAP Transcript Title

INTR INTELLECT HIST

UCEAP Quarter Units

4.50

UCEAP Semester Units

3.00

Course Description

This course offers a chronological overview—from the Enlightenment to the Dreyfus Affair, from May 1968 to contemporary “culture wars”—and addresses the dynamics of the French intellectual, scientific, and artistic fields, the relationships between religion and science, between science and ideologies, sociology and the commitments of intellectuals and artists, the metabolism of intellectual debates—from publishers to the media and social networks. It covers various areas of intellectual history (history of intellectuals, political ideas—liberalism, Marxism, etc., theoretical bodies of work—positivism, structuralism, post-structuralism, etc., and artistic productions), in light of new approaches in the humanities and social sciences (social history of ideas, sociology of intellectuals, Science Studies, gender, transnational history). Precise knowledge of the French political and intellectual context are required.

Language(s) of Instruction

French

Host Institution Course Number

CHIS 25F35

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Host Institution Course Details

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Host Institution Campus

Host Institution Faculty

Host Institution Degree

Seminar

Host Institution Department

History

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