

GOVT S-1248. Theorizing Ukraine: Politics, Theory, and Political Theory (CRN: 31654)

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A historical and comparative examination of social science approaches to conceptualizing and theorizing politics and political developments in Ukraine. The course investigates concepts and theories of the state, revolution, nation, nationalism, empire, elites, socialism, totalitarianism, transition, civil society, modernization, political culture, and democracy. Both concepts and theories will be discussed in relation to one another, in light of modern Ukrainian history, and with reference to other countries.