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BRIEF COURSE DESCRIPTION

Political Psychology is a discipline that experienced significant growth in the Anglo-American academic world in recent years. However, it has only started to flourish in Central and Eastern Europe nowadays. Its research is dedicated to understanding how we, humans, perceive and react to the world around us, especially on our interactions with political systems.

This course aims at introducing participants to the main methods in political psychology, focusing on substantive topics that have pressing importance in our days, both in the Americas and Europe, including: authoritarianism, intergroup relations, group cohesion, political persuasion, framing, and many others. Our first aim is to introduce students to a quickly developing field of research; these critical issues can be understood at a psychological level, mostly, but not exclusively, through the use of surveys and experiments. Second, we wish to help developing students' research skills by providing room for hands-on activities where participants are encouraged to have practice with designing and carrying on research on such topics using the methods taught in the course. Third, we also aim to continue growing the political psychology research communities in CEE, giving participants a chance to interact with top-level scholars in these areas, from Europe, Israel, and America.

The course features seminars on methods and substantive topics, round table discussions on publishing and grant writing, practical research design and implementation workshops, and students' own project presentations.

Central European University's summer school (CEU SUN), established in 1996, is a program in English for graduate students, junior or post-doctoral researchers, teachers and professionals. It offers high-level, research-oriented, interdisciplinary academic courses as well as workshops on policy issues for professional development, taught by internationally renowned scholars and policy experts (including CEU faculty). Application from all over the world is encouraged. Financial aid is available.

Application deadline: February 14, 2019

For further academic information on the course, eligibility criteria and funding options please visit the web site at

<https://summeruniversity.ceu.edu/polipsy-2019>