Nebraska Wesleyan University

HIST 2420 Liberalism & Conservatism In Amer Hist

Catalog

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Course Description

This course examines liberalism and conservatism as dominant ideologies in the American political tradition focusing on the modern framework beginning with the New Deal era while devoting attention also to the traditions from which each ideology draws, including both within and outside of the United States. The course will examine the historical context and evolution of American liberalism and conservatism, the way each has been informed and shaped by radical movements, the ways that marginalized groups have employed each tradition, and the intersections of ideology with grassroots politics.

Archway Curriculum: Essential Connections: Writing Instructive
Archway Curriculum: Essential Connections: Discourse Instructive
Archway Curriculum: Integrative Core: Democracy Thread

Course Hours

4 hours

Departments

1. History