The Global Rise of Populism: Europe and Beyond

Course Structure and Readings

1. Defining Populism


2. The Ideological Characteristics of Contemporary European Populist Parties


3. Populism in the UK: Brexit


4. The Causes of Radicalism and Populism in Europe

a. Economic and political explanations


b. Cultural issues


5. Immigration-Race-Ethnicity


6. Electoral Systems


7. Party Competition and Polarization


8. Consequences and Policy Reforms


9. The Erosion of Liberal Democratic Institutions, Press Freedom and the Rule of Law


