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Courses taught:

African Nationalism

Africa in World Politics

Comparative Politics

Gender, Law and Politics

Introduction to Political Science

International Relations