

COURSE DETAIL

MYTH, ART AND EMPIRE: GREECE AND ROME

Country**Host Institution****Program(s)**

University of Melbourne

UCEAP Course Level

Lower Division

UCEAP Subject Area(s)

Classics

UCEAP Course Number

40

UCEAP Course Suffix**UCEAP Official Title**

MYTH, ART AND EMPIRE: GREECE AND ROME

UCEAP Transcript Title

GREECE & ROME

UCEAP Quarter Units

6.00

UCEAP Semester Units

4.00

Course Description

This course introduces ancient Greek and Roman culture. Through a study of ancient literary texts, art, and society, the mythic origins, heroic archetypes, gods and goddesses, monuments and societies of the Greeks and Romans are explored. Focus is on the apex of classical Greek civilization in the fifth century BC, and the end of the Roman Republic and beginning of the early Imperial period in the first centuries BCE and CE. Topics include the Homeric poems, Greek and Roman mythology, ancient theater, literary and artistic culture, sexuality and gender roles, militarism and imperialism, and the fate of marginalized groups, such as women, slaves, freedmen, prostitutes, gladiators and stage performers. The course also considers the ways in which modern Western culture has inherited and appropriated aspects of ancient civilization, claiming it as a model in fields ranging from epic film and architectural design to political structure and imperial aspiration.

Language(s) of Instruction

English

Host Institution Course Number

ANCW10002

Host Institution Course Title

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Host Institution Campus

Parkville

Host Institution Faculty**Host Institution Degree****Host Institution Department**

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