

COURSE DETAIL

VICTORIAN ARCHITECTURE: THEMES AND IDEAS 1840-1914

Country

United Kingdom - Scotland

Host Institution

University of Edinburgh

Program(s)

University of Edinburgh

UCEAP Course Level

Upper Division

UCEAP Subject Area(s)

Architecture

UCEAP Course Number

130

UCEAP Course Suffix**UCEAP Official Title**

VICTORIAN ARCHITECTURE: THEMES AND IDEAS 1840-1914

UCEAP Transcript Title

VICTORIAN ARCHITECT

UCEAP Quarter Units

8.00

UCEAP Semester Units

5.30

Course Description

Often referred to as the "age of improvement," the Victorian era was one of unprecedented growth and development. The Victorians not only benefited from the technological advantages afforded by the full flowering of the Industrial Revolution but also enjoyed the profits that came with Britain's economic and political rise to world dominance. With this rise came profound social change as politicians, academics, social reformers, manufacturers, and religious leaders vied to institute new sensibilities regarding morality, spirituality, science, charity, education, and political representation. This transformation naturally affected the type and style of buildings that were erected during this period, dramatically altering the character of Britain's rural and urban landscapes. This course considers the architectural consequences of these transformations by exploring the development of theories and practices in architecture in the context of the social and cultural changes (and challenges) that gave rise to them. Although the Victorian era may be seen to have come to a close with the death of Queen Victoria in 1901, the course concludes by examining how these transformations were carried through and further developed in the first decade of the 20th century leading up to the First World War.

Language(s) of Instruction

English

Host Institution Course Number

ARHI10033

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Host Institution Campus

Edinburgh

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Architectural History

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