

COURSE DETAIL

STUDIES IN MEDIEVAL LITERATURE

Country

Ireland

Host Institution

University of Galway

Program(s)

University of Galway

UCEAP Course Level

Upper Division

UCEAP Subject Area(s)

English

UCEAP Course Number

123

UCEAP Course Suffix**UCEAP Official Title**

STUDIES IN MEDIEVAL LITERATURE

UCEAP Transcript Title

MEDIEVAL LITERATURE

UCEAP Quarter Units

4.00

UCEAP Semester Units

2.70

Course Description

In this course students read two great works of the 14th century: Geoffrey Chaucer's CANTERBURY TALES and SIR GAWAIN AND THE GREEN KNIGHT (author's name unknown). Chaucer wrote his famous CANTERBURY TALES in the 1370s and 1380s and this last great work of his is one of the most exciting and varied in the English language. Obscenity and profanity jostle with piety as 23 characters tell tales of fornication, magic, war, love, philosophy, religious devotion, and virtue. The 14th-century alliterative poem SIR GAWAIN AND THE GREEN KNIGHT is a striking example of the genre of medieval Arthurian romance. Chivalric worth, testing, temptation, religious devotion, games, and nature are among the themes which permeate this tale of one knight's quest to uphold the honor and integrity of the Round Table.

Language(s) of Instruction

English

Host Institution Course Number

EN2125

Host Institution Course Title

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Host Institution Course Details

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Host Institution Campus

NUI Galway

Host Institution Faculty

Host Institution Degree

Host Institution Department

English

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