

## COURSE DETAIL

### GENIUS AND INNOVATION IN ITALIAN RENAISSANCE ART

**Country**

Italy

**Host Institution**

UC Center, Florence

**Program(s)**

Italian in Florence, Made in Italy, Florence

**UCEAP Course Level**

Upper Division

**UCEAP Subject Area(s)**

Italian Art History

**UCEAP Course Number**

113

**UCEAP Course Suffix****UCEAP Official Title**

GENIUS AND INNOVATION IN ITALIAN RENAISSANCE ART

**UCEAP Transcript Title**

GENIUS RENASNCE ART

**UCEAP Quarter Units**

5.00

**UCEAP Semester Units**

3.30

## Course Description

This course is designed for students interested in an in-depth exploration of the artistic production of Italy from the 14th to the 16th centuries, with a special focus on Florence and its social, political, and devotional context. Starting with the Gothic, the course follows the development of different forms of art – painting, sculptures and architecture – up to the middle of the 16th century, thus covering the period known as the Renaissance. The course analyzes how the recovery and study of ancient sources and the work of contemporary humanists inspired and stimulated painters, sculptors, and architects. For the analysis of the Early Renaissance and its continuity with and renovation of Medieval art, special emphasis is placed on such figures as Giotto, Ghiberti, Donatello, Brunelleschi, Masaccio, and Fra Angelico. Moving on to the High Renaissance in the second part of the course, the works of Botticelli, Leonardo, Michelangelo, the young Raphael, and Giorgio Vasari are considered in the light of the Medici family political rule and artistic patronage. Through lectures, class discussions, and frequent site visits, the course aims at training students to study works of art in their original context, to recognize iconographic features and subjects, and distinguish the different styles and techniques used by the artists.

### Language(s) of Instruction

English

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### Host Institution Campus

UC Center Florence

### Host Institution Faculty

### Host Institution Degree

### Host Institution Department

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