# COURSE DETAIL

## KNIGHTHOOD AND CHIVALRY IN THE MIDDLE AGES

**Country**
United Kingdom - England

**Host Institution**
University of London, Queen Mary

**Program(s)**
University of London, Queen Mary

**UCEAP Course Level**
Upper Division

**UCEAP Subject Area(s)**
History

**UCEAP Course Number**
139

**UCEAP Course Suffix**

**UCEAP Official Title**
KNIGHTHOOD AND CHIVALRY IN THE MIDDLE AGES

**UCEAP Transcript Title**
KNIGHTHOOD MID AGES

**UCEAP Quarter Units**
6.00

**UCEAP Semester Units**
4.00

**Course Description**

Knights shaped the history of medieval Europe, fighting in the frontline of military conflicts, serving as landholders and politicians, and inspiring a flowering of literary culture. For a time, almost every lay nobleman in the West was expected to become a knight and to follow a code of chivalric behavior, and aristocratic society fell under the spell of Arthurian myth. Yet, by the start of the early modern era, the status and practical function of the warrior class had been severely eroded. This l course explores the rise and fall of knighthood, the evolution of its ideals and its representation in historical and literary sources. Students explore the training, rituals, and practices of these elite medieval warriors, and examine the careers of famous knights, both real and imagined, from El Cid and William Marshal, to Lancelot.

**Language(s) of Instruction**
English

**Host Institution Course Number**
HST5118

**Host Institution Course Title**
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**Host Institution Campus**
Queen Mary, University of London

**Host Institution Faculty**

**Host Institution Degree**

**Host Institution Department**
School of History

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