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
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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

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