

## COURSE DETAIL

### THE INVENTION OF THE CELT: CONCEPTS & PERSPECTIVES

**Country**

Ireland

**Host Institution**

University of Galway

**Program(s)**

University of Galway

**UCEAP Course Level**

Upper Division

**UCEAP Subject Area(s)**

Celtic Studies

**UCEAP Course Number**

106

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

THE INVENTION OF THE CELT: CONCEPTS & PERSPECTIVES

**UCEAP Transcript Title**

INVENTION OF CELT

**UCEAP Quarter Units**

4.00

**UCEAP Semester Units**

2.70

## Course Description

This course looks at the discovery of the Celtic family of languages by the early comparativists of the 16th, 17th, and 18th centuries, focusing especially on the ground-breaking work of Edward Lhuyd in establishing a scientific foundation for the linguistic classification. Together with the work of James Macpherson, the influence of ideas about the Celts on the Romantic movement is considered, and their subsequent integration into the mature comparative linguistics of the 19th and 20th centuries. The strange forms the interest in the ancient Celts took in the 18th and 19th centuries is considered, with particular emphasis on the obsession with the Druids. Finally, various modern-day conceptions and misconceptions about the Celts, ancient and modern, are examined.

## Language(s) of Instruction

English

## Host Institution Course Number

SG311

## Host Institution Course Title

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## Host Institution Campus

NUI Galway

## Host Institution Faculty

## Host Institution Degree

## Host Institution Department

Celtic Civilisation

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