COURSE DETAIL

CLASSICAL MYTHOLOGY
Country New Zealand
Host Institution University of Auckland
Program(s) University of Auckland
UCEAP Course Level Lower Division
UCEAP Subject Area(s) Classics
UCEAP Course Number 10
UCEAP Course Suffix
UCEAP Official Title CLASSICAL MYTHOLOGY
UCEAP Transcript Title CLASSICAL MYTHOLOGY
UCEAP Quarter Units 6.00
UCEAP Semester Units 4.00

Course Description
This course presents the myths of ancient Greece and Rome: about gods, heroes, heroines, and monsters. Topics include Greek and Roman myths in their social and historical context, identifying the important cultural and religious roles that myths served in Greco-Roman history; the ‘afterlife’ of Greek and Roman myths in later culture; Greco-Roman mythology from a local perspective, considering similarities and differences with the traditional stories and figures of Aotearoa New Zealand, such as Ranginui and Papatuanuku, Hineahuone, and Maui. The course also focuses on how myths were transmitted. The Greeks and Romans first shared their myths in oral form for hundreds of years, before starting to write down their stories and make art depicting them. Readings include the myths written up in different styles/genres; epics, religious hymns, a tragedy, and a history, to see how different genres shaped the presentation of myths; some artworks that portray myths, and consider what function these artistic representations had for the Greeks or Romans.

Language(s) of Instruction
English

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