COURSE DETAIL

KING ARTHUR AND THE HOLY GRAIL

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

105

UCEAP Course Suffix

UCEAP Official Title

KING ARTHUR AND THE HOLY GRAIL

UCEAP Transcript Title

KING ARTHUR & GRAIL

UCEAP Quarter Units

4.00

UCEAP Semester Units

2.70

Course Description

This course studies King Arthur, the legends surrounding him beginning from medieval times throughout Western Europe, and his origin as a Welsh folk hero. The course traces the earliest development of the Arthurian legend from its Welsh beginnings, and looks at the earliest sources to bear witness to Arthur (from Wales in the 9th to the 11th centuries). The course considers how this hero from a far Western European culture became famous throughout the world. The Celtic origin of the theme of the Holy Grail is examined as well as the way it became represented and later adapted in literature and culture. The Welsh origin of the character of Merlin the magician is also studied and original sources in translation form the basis of the study of all these themes.

Language(s) of Instruction

English

Host Institution Course Number

SG220

Host Institution Course Title

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Host Institution Campus

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Host Institution Faculty

Host Institution Degree

Host Institution Department

Celtic Civilization

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