COURSE DETAIL

ART AND ARCHITECTURE OF CLASSICAL ANTIQUITY

Country

Ireland

Host Institution

University College Dublin

Program(s)

University College Dublin

UCEAP Course Level

Upper Division

UCEAP Subject Area(s)

Art History

UCEAP Course Number

106

UCEAP Course Suffix

UCEAP Official Title

ART AND ARCHITECTURE OF CLASSICAL ANTIQUITY

UCEAP Transcript Title

ART:CLASSIC ANTIQTY

UCEAP Quarter Units

4.00

UCEAP Semester Units

2.70

Course Description

This course introduces students to the outstanding record of classical art and architecture and to an understanding of the principles, the techniques, and the process of cultural diversity and assimilation that characterized the period of classical antiquity. The course begins with an overview of early beginnings in the Aegean before considering the geometric and archaic periods that led in turn to the classical period during the 5th century BC in Athens. The course also considers the achievements of the Hellenistic age, with a particular focus on monumental sculpture, public architecture, and town planning. The rise of Rome is next considered in the context of Etruscan influences. There follows a detailed examination of the art and architecture of Republican and Imperial Rome. The manner in which Roman art was consciously fashioned on Greek models and myths and the distinct achievements of the Roman period are highlighted. This includes a study of how Roman art and spectacle reflected the patronage and power of the lives and personalities of the emperors who reigned from the time of Augustus to the fall of Rome. In addition, it includes a select appreciation of Roman portraiture, the Roman house and villa, Roman wall painting, and Roman decorative arts.

Language(s) of Instruction

English

Host Institution Course Number

AH20070

Host Institution Course Title

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Host Institution Campus

UC Dublin

Host Institution Faculty

Host Institution Degree

Host Institution Department

Art History