COURSE DETAIL

PERSIAN KINGS AND THEIR TERRITORY IN THE ACHAEMENID EMPIRE

Country

United Kingdom - England

Host Institution

King's College London

Program(s)

English Universities, King's College London

UCEAP Course Level

Upper Division

UCEAP Subject Area(s)

Classics

UCEAP Course Number

112

UCEAP Course Suffix

UCEAP Official Title

PERSIAN KINGS AND THEIR TERRITORY IN THE ACHAEMENID EMPIRE

UCEAP Transcript Title

PERSIAN KINGS

UCEAP Quarter Units

6.00

UCEAP Semester Units

4.00

Course Description

This course explores the history and rich cultural world of the Achaemenid Persian empire, circa 550-330BCE. It gives a chronological overview of the rise and development of the Persian empire, and its destruction by Alexander of Macedon. As an introduction to this state of unprecedented geographical reach and ethnic variety, the course gives students a case study in comparative historiography and provides a broader context in which to understand the evolution of the Eastern Mediterranean and Western Asia in the Classical, Hellenistic, and Roman periods. Students read Greek historiography and begin to explore sources translated from Aramaic, Akkadian, Egyptian and Old Persian. The course uses material culture to reconstruct the visual world of the Achaemenid court.

Language(s) of Instruction

English

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6AACH16A

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