

COURSE DETAIL

ANCIENT IDEAS IN THE MODERN WORLD

Country

United Kingdom - England

Host Institution

University College London

Program(s)

Summer at University College London

UCEAP Course Level

Lower Division

UCEAP Subject Area(s)

Classics

UCEAP Course Number

50

UCEAP Course Suffix

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UCEAP Official Title

ANCIENT IDEAS IN THE MODERN WORLD

UCEAP Transcript Title

ANCIENT IDEA/MODERN

UCEAP Quarter Units

6.00

UCEAP Semester Units

4.00

Course Description

This course is an exploration of the history of Greek and Roman ideas, which formed the modern world. In the first half of the sessions focuses on Greek ideas like democracy, philosophy, hospitality, fair play, athletics, drama, eros and love and how these ideas have been generated through specific Greek cultural systems or artistic modes of representation (literature, painting, sculpture, theatre). How were these ideas born and what is their influence in the modern world? How does Greek literature relate to these ideas? And more generally, what is the relationship between these ideas and the Greek life and thought? In the second half of the sessions, students examine Roman ideas, and the course focuses on ideas like fame, liberty, virtue, justice, epicureanism, stoicism, citizenship, republicanism, imperialism, public order, and how they have been generated through specific Roman cultural systems or artistic modes of representation (literature, painting, sculpture, theatre). The sessions then examine the relevance of these ideas to modern politics and society.

Language(s) of Instruction

English

Host Institution Course Number

ISSU0108

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Host Institution Course Details

<https://www.ucl.ac.uk/prospective-students/summer-school/modules/ancient-ideas-...>

Host Institution Campus

Host Institution Faculty

Host Institution Degree

Host Institution Department

Greek and Latin

Course Last Reviewed

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