

COURSE DETAIL

PEOPLE, RITUAL AND DEATH: LIFE IN EARLY PREHISTORIC EUROPE

Country

Ireland

Host Institution

University of Galway

Program(s)

University of Galway

UCEAP Course Level

Upper Division

UCEAP Subject Area(s)

Archaeology

UCEAP Course Number

113

UCEAP Course Suffix**UCEAP Official Title**

PEOPLE, RITUAL AND DEATH: LIFE IN EARLY PREHISTORIC EUROPE

UCEAP Transcript Title

LIFE PREHIST EUROPE

UCEAP Quarter Units

4.00

UCEAP Semester Units

2.70

Course Description

This course introduces evidence from the Mesolithic and Neolithic periods of Western Asia and Europe, to create a context for the understanding of the early prehistory of Ireland. Students look at the possible reasons why communities who lived by foraging and hunting adopted agriculture and what implications those changes had. The course begins with an overview, followed by an examination of various aspects of Mesolithic society. The origin of farming in Western Asia is next, followed by the Neolithic of the central and north European plain and the introduction of agriculture to Western Europe, particularly to Britain and Ireland. The development of ritual and burial monuments is explored towards the end of the course.

Language(s) of Instruction

English

Host Institution Course Number

AR2102

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Host Institution Campus

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