COURSE DETAIL

EMOTIONS IN THE ANCIENT WORLD

Country

United Kingdom - England

Host Institution

University College London

Program(s)

University College London

UCEAP Course Level

Upper Division

UCEAP Subject Area(s)

Classics

UCEAP Course Number

129

UCEAP Course Suffix

UCEAP Official Title

EMOTIONS IN THE ANCIENT WORLD

UCEAP Transcript Title

EMOTIONS/ANC WORLD

UCEAP Quarter Units

6.00

UCEAP Semester Units

4.00

Course Description

This course explores the history of emotions in the Greek and Roman world through literature and their relevance to the modern world. It focuses on emotions like wrath, eros and love, jealousy, fear, loss and separation, affection, happiness, sadness, surprise, contempt, disgust, pity, sympathy, pain and on how these emotions have been represented in Greek and Roman cultural systems and literary examples (both Greek and Roman literary texts will be explored and compared). How were these emotions born and what is their influence in the modern world? How does Greek and Roman literature relate to these emotions? And more generally, what is the relationship between these emotions and the Greek and Roman life and thought? After an overview of major Greek and Roman sources on the role of emotions in human life, the course explores the complex debate around emotions, their value and their use for philosophical, religious, political, and educational purposes.

Language(s) of Instruction

English

Host Institution Course Number

CLAS0146

Host Institution Course Title

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Host Institution Campus

University College London

Host Institution Faculty

Host Institution Degree

Host Institution Department

Psychology and Language Sciences

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