COURSE DETAIL

TRAVEL, PLEASURE, AND POLITICS: THE EUROPEAN GRAND TOUR 1670-1825

Country
United Kingdom - England

Host Institution
London School of Economics

Program(s)
London School of Economics

UCEAP Course Level
Upper Division

UCEAP Subject Area(s)
History

UCEAP Course Number
111

UCEAP Course Suffix
Y

UCEAP Official Title
TRAVEL, PLEASURE, AND POLITICS: THE EUROPEAN GRAND TOUR 1670-1825

UCEAP Transcript Title
TRAVEL 1670-1825

UCEAP Quarter Units
12.00

UCEAP Semester Units
8.00

Course Description

Throughout the 18th century, thousands of young British men and women embarked on extensive journeys to continental Europe – an activity known as the Grand Tour. This course explores who these people were, where they went, and the reasons for their expeditions. For some, the Tour was the final stage of formal education; to others an opportunity for sexual adventures and pleasure-seeking. The course discusses the practical challenges of 18th-century travel, the political, religious, and cultural contexts of the Tour, as well as the key places to visit and the reasons for their popularity. It also considers what the Tourists brought back with them: from physical artefacts for public and private collections, to new ways of seeing and understanding the world. The course introduces students to the actual writings of the Tourists, showing how they experienced international travel and shaped the modern tourist industry.

Language(s) of Instruction
English

Host Institution Course Number
HY323

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Host Institution Course Details
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Host Institution Campus
London School of Economics

Host Institution Faculty

Host Institution Degree
Host Institution Department International History
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