COURSE DETAIL

MEDIEVAL WOMEN IN THE CELTIC-SPEAKING WEST
Country Ireland
Host Institution University of Galway
Program(s) University of Galway
UCEAP Course Level Upper Division
UCEAP Subject Area(s) Women’s & Gender Studies Celtic Studies
UCEAP Course Number 126
UCEAP Course Suffix
UCEAP Official Title MEDIEVAL WOMEN IN THE CELTIC-SPEAKING WEST
UCEAP Transcript Title MEDVAL WOMEN/CELTIC
UCEAP Quarter Units 5.00
UCEAP Semester Units 3.30

Course Description

This course concerns the status, roles, and representation of women in medieval Irish and Welsh society. The student is introduced to primary material which can inform us about the socio-legal position of women in these societies as contrasted with that of men, including legal tracts, literary texts, historical texts and didactic writings, the originals of which were written in Irish, Welsh, and Latin (but read in English translation). The importance of marriage and other kinds of union in the lives of women is examined, and the impact these unions had on women's social status will be assessed. Various literary texts are read, with a view to considering how femininities and masculinities are constructed in them, and the characters of prominent literary women are examined and analyzed. The question of women's agency in society, especially in the area of learning, as well as the factors that wrought change on women's social position, is also addressed.

Language(s) of Instruction
English

Host Institution Course Number
SG320

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Host Institution Course Details
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Host Institution Campus
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Celtic Civilizations

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