

COURSE DETAIL

MYTHOLOGY AND THE CITY IN ANCIENT GREECE

Country

Ireland

Host Institution

University of Galway

Program(s)

University of Galway

UCEAP Course Level

Upper Division

UCEAP Subject Area(s)

Classics

UCEAP Course Number

122

UCEAP Course Suffix**UCEAP Official Title**

MYTHOLOGY AND THE CITY IN ANCIENT GREECE

UCEAP Transcript Title

MYTHOLOGY/ANC GREEC

UCEAP Quarter Units

4.00

UCEAP Semester Units

2.70

Course Description

This course provides an introduction to the study of Antiquity by focusing on the mythological discourses of the ancient Near East and Greece, and on the rise of the European city-state in Classical Greece. All texts are studied in translation. The course divides into two complementary streams: (1) Mythology and the origins of western literature, with lectures focused on ancient mythology, especially the concept of the pantheon of gods and the hero as a figure poised between men and gods, concentrating on literary and artistic evidence for the study of ancient society and thought. (2) Politics, culture, and society in the Ancient City, surveying the history and culture of Ancient Greece, in the fifth and fourth centuries BC, a period of dynamic political and cultural innovation. The course covers topics including the rise (and fall) of the Athenian democracy, gender and sexuality, Greeks and barbarians, and the spectacular rise of the kingdom of Macedon. Students are introduced to original sources for Greek history.

Language(s) of Instruction

English

Host Institution Course Number

CC1101

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Host Institution Campus

Host Institution Faculty

Host Institution Degree

Host Institution Department

Classics

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