

# COURSE DETAIL

## GOTHIC NOVEL

**Country**

Japan

**Host Institution**

Keio University

**Program(s)**

Keio University

**UCEAP Course Level**

Upper Division

**UCEAP Subject Area(s)**

English Comparative Literature

**UCEAP Course Number**

118

**UCEAP Course Suffix****UCEAP Official Title**

GOTHIC NOVEL

**UCEAP Transcript Title**

GOTHIC NOVEL

**UCEAP Quarter Units**

3.00

**UCEAP Semester Units**

2.00

## Course Description

The 'Gothic novel', which originated in mid-18th-century England, took the world by storm as a form of weird and terrifying fiction reflecting the medieval taste of the time. There were many variations, and the most common in the early years were bizarre adventure stories, such as the tale of a maiden locked in an old castle and the young man who rescues her. Other typical variations include tales of a wise man who sells his soul to the devil and falls into hell; tales of an artificial man such as *Frankenstein*; tales of a man who transforms into a monster such as *Dr Jekyll and Mr Hyde*; vampire tales such as *Dracula*, and many other types. Furthermore, up to the present day, the Gothic tale continues to be reproduced and re-created in a variety of media, not limited to the novel, while further diversifying. The mystery novel, a significant genre, is one of the tributaries that branched off from the Gothic novel.

English Literature 7 and 8 traces the Gothic novel's development over a year. This course is the first half, which will begin with the beginnings of the Gothic novel in the 18th century, the medieval taste that formed its background, and the establishment of a new tourism culture. Then it moves on to the new developments of the Gothic novel in the 19th century and its relationship to psychic studies of the same period.

### Language(s) of Instruction

Japanese

### Host Institution Course Number

N/A

### Host Institution Course Title

ENGLISH LITERATURE 7: HISTORY OF THE GOTHIC NOVEL (18TH-19TH CENTURIES)

### Host Institution Campus

Keio University

### Host Institution Faculty

**Host Institution Degree**

**Host Institution Department**

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