COURSE DETAIL

EARLY GREEK POETRY AND PHILOSOPHY
Country United Kingdom - Scotland
Host Institution University of St Andrews
Program(s) University of St Andrews
UCEAP Course Level Upper Division
UCEAP Subject Area(s) Classics
UCEAP Course Number 123
UCEAP Course Suffix
UCEAP Official Title EARLY GREEK POETRY AND PHILOSOPHY
UCEAP Transcript Title GREEK POETRY&PHIL
UCEAP Quarter Units 8.00
UCEAP Semester Units 5.30

Course Description

Early Greece was the age of beautiful poetry and cutting-edge philosophy. The course explores the diversity of early Greek thought at the crossroads of poetry and philosophy, from the 8th to the 5th century BCE starting with Hesiod's struggle to re-order the world of gods and humans: Hesiod's work stands side by side with Homer's poems as foundational works of ancient Greek epic. We then consider the exciting literary and intellectual experiments of lyric poets and philosopher poets, who saw poetry as a way of writing philosophy, exploring love and attacking enemies. Authors to be studied include Sappho, Theognis, Solon, Xenophanes, and Empedocles. All texts are studied in translation.

Language(s) of Instruction
English

Host Institution Course Number
CL2003

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Host Institution Campus

Host Institution Faculty
School of Classics

Host Institution Degree

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