

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

Host Institution Department

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