

COURSE DETAIL

CULTURE AND THOUGHT IN THE LATE ROMAN REPUBLIC

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

132

UCEAP Course Suffix**UCEAP Official Title**

CULTURE AND THOUGHT IN THE LATE ROMAN REPUBLIC

UCEAP Transcript Title

CULTR IN ROMAN REP

UCEAP Quarter Units

8.00

UCEAP Semester Units

5.30

Course Description

The Late Republic (first century BCE) was a time of change and conflict in the city of Rome and the wider Roman Empire. In political terms the history of that century is dominated by the series of civil wars which led to the political dominance and assassination of Julius Caesar. The literature and art of that period in many cases reflect those tensions and problems. It was also a time of rapid development of Roman art and literature as it sought to form its own new identity through the traditions it had inherited from Greek culture. From the seething passions of Catullus' poetry, through Lucretius' philosophical poetic treatise *ON THE NATURE OF THINGS*, to the stylish rhetoric of Cicero, the course sets the main literary texts of that period against the broader backdrop of Roman art, culture, and social life. All texts will be studied in translation.

Language(s) of Instruction

English

Host Institution Course Number

CL2004

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Host Institution Campus

St Andrews

Host Institution Faculty

Host Institution Degree

Host Institution Department

Classics

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